

## **Centre for Human Rights Oral intervention on the situation of human rights in the Tigray region of Ethiopia**

The Centre for Human Rights wishes to call the attention of the Human Rights Council to the human rights situation in the Tigray region of Ethiopia.

We note the joint investigation by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the Ethiopian National Human Rights Commission on the human rights crisis in the Tigray region. We also note the resolution of the Human Rights Council expressing concerns about human rights abuses in the Tigray region. We further note that the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, the primary body tasked with the promotion and protection of human rights on the African continent established a Commission of Inquiry to investigate allegations of violations of human rights in the Tigray region.

Madame President, the Centre for Human Rights reiterates the added benefits of complementarity in the working modalities between the United Nations and African Union human rights mechanisms, particularly the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, in addressing the ongoing humanitarian crisis in the Tigray region.

The Centre for Human Rights encourages a people centered, and urgent intervention in pursuit of a lasting resolution of the issues fueling the crisis in the Tigray region. The Centre also encourages enhanced cooperation between the United Nations and African Union human rights mechanisms as set up in the 2012 Addis Ababa Roadmap.