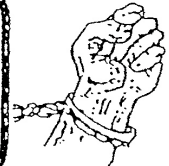




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JUNE 1991--JUNE 2009: 18 YEARS OF DISAPPEARANCE

JUNE 1991-- several leaders and veteran members of the opposition Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Party (EPRP) fell into the hands of the Tigray liberation Front (TPLF) in Gondar and Gojjam following a war launched by the latter and its allies against the EPRP. The Sudanese regime of Omar Beshir, an ally of the TPLF, also handed over several EPRP members who were refugees of whom Azanaw Demile has been disappeared since.

The prisoners were taken to Bahr Dar city and imprisoned there before being "disappeared" with some reports indicating that they were all taken to Tgirai. The EPRP leaders and members disappeared since June 1991 are: Tsegaye Gebre Medhin (aka Debteraw), Yishak Debre Tsion, Sitotaw Hussein, Amha Belete, Teklai Gebre Sellasie, Hagos Bezabih and Desalegn Amslau. Many other EPRP members have been disappeared since. For unexplained reasons, local and international human rights organizations have kept an embarrassing silence over the fate of these disappeared. The ruling EPRDF has refused to give any account on the disappeared other than spreading conflicting rumours and denials.

SOCEPP demands that the regime give a full and public account of where it has kept the EPRP leaders and members and/or what is has done against them.

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