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Addis Ababa, 01 October 2022

Dear Dr Debretsion,

INVITATION TO AFRICAN UNION-CONVENED PEACE TALKS

Building on continuous consultations with the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF), within the context of the ongoing African Union (AU)-led peace process for Ethiopia, I have the honour to invite you to the Peace Talks, scheduled to take place in South Africa from Sunday, 8 October 2022.

The Peace talks between the two parties, is expected to deliberate on the guiding principles, agenda issues, modalities, format and timelines for the negotiated settlement aimed at laying the foundation for a structured and sustained mediation between the Federal Government of Ethiopia and the TPLF, towards durable resolution of the conflict.

The Peace talks will be facilitated and led by H.E Olusegun Obasanjo, AU High Representative for the Horn of Africa and former President of Nigeria, with the support of a panel of distinguished and eminent Africans. H.E Uhuru Kenyatta, former President of the Republic Kenya, and H.E. Dr. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Member of the AU Panel of the Wise and former Deputy President of the Republic of South Africa, will serve as panelists for the peace talks process.

While appreciative of your avowed commitment to peace and stability in Ethiopia, I look forward to your timely response and constructive engagement at the Talks.

Please accept, dear Dr. Debretsion, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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