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### **The implication of Ethiopia-Tigray Crisis on South Sudan peace process**

Juba 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2020. Community Empowerment for Progress Organization is closely watching the on-going violence in Ethiopia between the Government and Tigray Special Forces and the militia. This situation of Ethiopia is disturbing and worrying for us in South Sudan since Ethiopia is one of the key player in peace keeping in South Sudan under United Nations Mission in South Sudan and United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA). Any attempt to shift the role of Ethiopia as contributing country for peace keeping in South Sudan is risk and dangerous

Mr. Edmund Yakani, Executive Director of CEPO said the situation in Ethiopia is unfortunate situation that requires urgent intervention from IGAD, AU and United Nations before things turn into worse and human atrocities. Any instability in Ethiopia is a regional instability, since Ethiopia is the host country of the regional and continental institutions. Watching the Ethiopia crisis without immediate intervention will be a grave mistake from IGAD, AU and UN

Ethiopia-Tigray Crisis should not be allowed by IGAD, AU and UN to turn into regional or continental crisis. It is a high time for IGAD, AU and UN to call upon other nations not to interfere with the Ethiopia-Tigray crisis. Any interference from any other nation is totally a destructive act on the regional stability.

From South Sudan perspectives, Ethiopia-Tigray leadership should opt to resort out their political difference in non-violent manner where they embrace dialogue as a tool of finding lasting solution to their crisis. Mr. Yakani stressed

Any attempt to reduce or withdraw Ethiopia troops that were peace keepers in South Sudan under UNMISS or UNISFA will be an act of undermining protection of civilians and peace keeping mission under United Nations chart.

CEPO is urging IGAD, AU and UN to immediately intervene on Ethiopia-Tigray crisis through facilitating mediation for securing ceasefire then lasting political settlement of their difference