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Dear FIVH Leaders:

By this short letter I would like to introduce myself and my work to your organization. I am actually a member of FIVH since June 1985. I became a member of FIVH out of appreciation to its views and policies to the problems of the 3rd world. I am particularly impressed by FIVH'S work in Tigray, one of the most downtrodden nations of the world

The fact that FIVH has no illusions and the fact that it has no agreements, no cooperations with anti-democracy, anti-development, militaristic, and wasteful governments of the Ethiopian type, is a rare credit which many so-called aid organizations have no possibility to be proud of. During the past two years the bankrupt policy of the aid concept and the hidden politics and interests that tie these organizations with the creators of human misery has become apparent.

I have now compiled newspaper clippings that reveal the facts surrounding the tragedy in Ethiopia and Eritrea. I am hopeful that this document will be widely distributed and provide the general public the necessary information as to the causes of the tragedy in the region

Lastly I would like to suggest that FIVH discover the possibilities of undertaking development projects in Eritrea. It has always been my belief that Eritrea is a natural place for FIVH to work. The reasons for my belief is that one can clearly see the reward of helping a small peasant nation, that can successfully resist superpower domination, totally relying on the resources of its people. EPLF is an organization that can destroy the soviet military hardware and convert it to production tools like bakery, surgical knives and what not. Such heroism and resourcefulness is unique in contemporary history. Eritrea is one of the ripe places where the objectives of FIVH can be realized.

*Best regards,*

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