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The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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## **Human Rights and Democracy in Eritrea**

At the independence, the new Government of ERITREA inherited a devastated economy, ruined infrastructure and non-existent social services and the burden of nation-building has been inordinately arduous. Eritrea embarked into the nation building task with a clear vision of creating a viable state, economy and social fabrics. The ideals of nationalism, social justice and progressive morality which were the embodiment of the liberation struggle thus formed the basis for this vision.

The new state of ERITREA signed and ratified more than 108 International Conventions and Instruments. Eritrea is also committed to the goals and principles of African Charter on Human and Peoples" Rights (ACHPR). This is above accession and signing to the ACHPR on January 14, 1999 and the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of the Child on 22 December 1999.

As a non governmental organization, we recommend to Eritrea to consolidate its engagement and cooperation on human right and the promotion of regional peace, security and development. This will be an engagement based on dignity and national interest. However, we will continue to reject any attempt to politicize human rights for other ulterior motives with the aim to make pressures on the people of Eritrea.

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