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ETHIOPIANS IN LIBYA STILL FACING DANGER

The situation concerns not only Ethiopians but many sub Saharan refugees who are still stranded in Tripoli and other Libyan towns. Most of these refugees are in hiding afraid that they would be identified as "mercenaries" and brutalized or killed by the rebels. It is to be noted that many refugees are in detention all over Libya in inhumane conditions and dozens have been beaten and raped and also killed. Ethiopians and all black Africans (many black Libyans included) have become victims of Arab racism and mob "justice".

SOCEPP is once again calling on the UNHCR and other humanitarian organizations to come to the aid of the Ethiopian and other African refugees. SOCEPP calls on the Libyan NTC to assure the safety of Ethiopian and other African refugees and to rein in its forces that seem to be in the grip of racist fury vis a vis black Africans. SOCEPP calls on Diaspora Ethiopians to publicize the terrible plight of Ethiopians in Libya and to write protest letters to the NTC in Benghazi and Tripoli via the Libyan embassies and consulates that have declared allegiance to the NTC.

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