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POLITICAL AFFAIRS

MESSAGE FROM H.E HAILEMARIAM DESSALEGN, PRIME MINISTER OF THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA AND CHAIRPERSON OF THE IGAD ASSEMBLY TO THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH SUDAN 6 MARCH 2015



My dear brothers and sisters, the people of South Sudan,

On February 1st of this year, President Kiir and Dr. Riek Machar agreed to a plan to conclude negotiations on the formation of a transitional government of national unity and begin a process of healing and reconciliation in your country. My colleagues, the Leaders of the IGAD Member States, and myself,

were hopeful that this moment signaled the nearing of the end of the terrible tragedy that has befallen South Sudan since December 15th, 2013.

President Kiir and Dr. Riek Machar agreed that they would come to an agreement by March 5th. That deadline has been missed. Talks continued this morning, past the deadline. I regret to inform you that the talks did not produce the necessary

breakthrough.

The consequences of inaction are the continued suffering of you, the people of South Sudan, and the prolonging of a senseless war in your country. This is unacceptable, both morally and politically. On behalf of the people of Ethiopia, and the people of the entire IGAD region, we stand with you at this difficult and disappointing time: we remain hopeful that the promise of peace will be fulfilled in the near future.

My dear brothers and sisters, the people of South Sudan,

Leadership is never easy, but continuing a war flagrantly disregards the interests of you, the people. It is an abdication of the most sacred duty leaders have to you, their people: to deliver peace, prosperity and stability.

Both President Kiir and Dr. Riek Machar have assured the Leaders of the IGAD Member States that they are committed to peace. At the same time, there are individuals on both sides who continue to beat the drums of war. This cannot be right. There can be no justification for the continuation of this conflict. The war must end now.

On March 3rd, I urged President Kiir and Dr. Machar to make the necessary and difficult compromises to move out of this crisis. I asked them to be courageous in offering compromises and alternatives, rather than only reiterating old positions. Both regional and world leaders joined this call. Unfortunately, as the missed deadline shows, our pleas have not been heeded.

IGAD has tried to mediate the crisis as best it can, but we must acknowledge that our efforts have not yet produced the necessary results. Our efforts cannot continue unaltered and expect a different

outcome; the peace process must be reinvigorated and reformed. In the coming days, I will consult with my colleagues, the IGAD leaders, partners and friends in the region, on the continent, and beyond to agree a common plan of action.

My dear brothers and sisters, the people of South Sudan,

Together, we will hold the Parties to their commitment to form a transitional government by July of this year. To achieve that goal, IGAD, joined by the friends of South Sudan from Africa and abroad, intends to implement a common plan and table a reasonable and comprehensive solution to end the crisis in South Sudan.

While the Parties may see the peace talks as a process that can continue indefinitely, you, the people of South Sudan, including the millions directly affected by the conflict, know that peace is needed, and is needed now.

At the highest level, the world must speak with one voice on South Sudan. We will assist the Parties to make the compromises that have so far eluded them. We will use all influence at our disposal to convince those that remain intransigent. And we will ensure that the voices of the silent majority of South Sudanese prevail: peace, reform and justice.

We ask you, the people, to refuse to support those who militate for war, destruction and killing. We want you, the people, to be unequivocal with your leaders: choose reconciliation and not injustice; choose dialogue and not rigidity. Choose peace and not conflict.

My dear brothers and sisters, do not lose hope. The region, and the world, stands with you. Peace is our only priority. Peace will be achieved. You, the people of South Sudan, need and deserve no less.

Preliminary agreement reached on Nile cooperation

On Friday the 6th of March 2015, Foreign affairs and water resources Ministers of Sudan, Egypt and Ethiopia have reached a preliminary draft agreement on a mechanism for operating the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam, following three-day meetings in

Khartoum. Upon completion by 2017, the Grand Ethiopian renaissance dam will have electricity generating capacity of 6,000 megawatt, which will provide cheap energy to the whole region. Sudan's foreign minister, Ali Ahmed Karti, said the

three countries reached agreement on principles “that govern us on how to benefit from the Eastern Nile Basin and the Renaissance Dam”, stressing the document represents the beginning of a new page in relations between the three countries. “The deal will now be sent to the leaders of the three countries for final approval,” he said.

Egypt’s Water and Irrigation Minister Hossam Moghazi said the principles that were agreed to “pertain to the systems and mechanism for operating the Renaissance Dam and the mechanism for cooperation on this dam.” For his part, Ethiopian Foreign Minister, Tedros Adhanom, said the principles represented a “new chapter” in relations between the three countries.

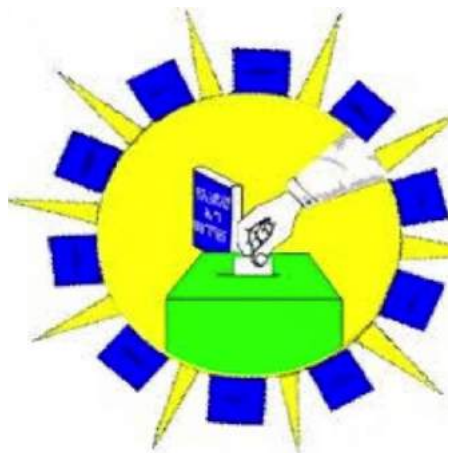
During the past two years and since the construction of the dam that kicked off in 2013, the three countries have held several Minister-level tripartite meetings to discuss the ways to maximise the benefits of the dam. The establishment of a tripartite committee

of experts furthermore enabled a dialogue at technical level between the three countries. Among other responsibilities, this tripartite committee is to choose the consultancy firm which will study potential impacts the dam may have on downstream countries.

Last month, a new step was taken for closer cooperation when the Egypt participated again in the Nile Basin initiative after an absence of five years. Egypt had left the cooperation platform in 2010 after five NBI members, including Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda and Tanzania, signed the Entebbe Agreement which seeks to re-allocate the Nile water shares and modify agreements reached in the colonial era. Launched in 1999, the NBI provides 10 riparian countries with an inclusive regional platform for multi stakeholder dialogue, information sharing as well as joint planning and management of water and related resources in the Nile Basin.

Preparations continues for the nationwide 24 May 2015 elections in Ethiopia

After nearly 35 million Ethiopians registered between 9 January and 19 February 2015 to vote in Ethiopia’s 5th National and regional elections on the 24th of May 2015, the National Electoral Board of Ethiopia has continued its further



preparations. These have included the allocation of broadcast media air time and print media platforms for the political parties’ campaigning, training for election officials and briefings for the public on a regular basis. The Board gave details of the allocation and scheduling of the media platforms, and underlined the importance of the media discharging its professional responsibilities effectively and emphasized the contestants should

make use of the platform appropriately.

As part of its job of enhancing civic awareness about the electoral processes and contributing to the country’s effort to build a democratic system, the National Electoral Board of Ethiopia is also giving training to election officials who will staff the special polling stations in the military academies and in the higher education institutions, where people living far from their vicinity due to work and service duty will have the possibility to cast their vote. The Board has already conducted training for election officials to staff the Defense Force special polling stations. It will be giving training for those involved in higher educational establishments and at the special polling station at the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam at the end of March.

The upcoming parliamentary election will be Ethiopia’s fifth since the overthrow in 1991 of the Marxist Derg regime. Elections are generally held every five years, according to Ethiopia’s constitution.

Gebre-Christos held political consultation in The Hague and paid a working visit in Brussels

H.E. the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Ambassador Berhane Gebre-Christos paid a working visit to Brussels and held a successful political consultation in The Hague from 4th to 7th March. He was accompanied by officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ethiopian Embassy in Brussels. During his stay, the State Minister held discussions with officials in Brussels and the Netherlands.

Meeting with Parliamentarians in Brussels

In Brussels, he met members of the European Parliament. Accordingly, on the 4th of March, H.E. Berhane Gebre-Christos had a meeting with Honorable Louis Michel, co-president of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (JPA) and member of the ALDE Group, Mariya Gabriel, deputy-Chairperson of the European People's Party (EPP) and member of the JPA. He also met with the Chairperson of the Development Committee of the European Parliament and member of the S&D Group, Linda McAvan.

The discussion focused on EU-Ethiopia relations, regional issues, democratization, social and economic infrastructure development process in Ethiopia. The Minister also briefed the Parliamentarians on the preparation for the upcoming Ethiopian 5th National and regional elections. He also briefed the Parliamentarians on the preparations of the Financing for Development Conference that Ethiopia will be hosting in July 2015. The Parliamentarians expressed their appreciation for the commendable efforts Ethiopia is making for peace and stability in the Horn of Africa and Africa at large. They also positively commented on the economic boost Ethiopia is performing.

Successful political consultations in The Hague

On the 5th to 6th of March 2015, the second Ethio-Dutch political consultation was held at The Hague Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The political consultation was opportunity to further strengthen political and economic relationships between the two countries, to address bilateral, multilateral issues as well as investment, trade, tourism and regional cooperation. The invigorated



Ethio-Dutch political consultations at the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs

political and diplomatic relations between the two countries further boosted the existing excellent relations. At the consultation, important issues were discussed, among them, regional cooperation, peace and stability, areas of mutual interests, political consultations at multilateral platforms, upcoming elections in Ethiopia and local elections in the Netherlands, migration, investment, trade and tourism.

On this occasion, the Ethiopian State Minister briefed the Dutch officials on political developments in the Horn of Africa, as well as Ethiopia's commitment to support peace and security in the region in collaboration with regional organization IGAD. During the discussion, he stressed the role of AMISOM and European Union's support for peace and stability in the region. The State Minister further explained the latest developments regarding the South Sudan peace talks and the progresses achieved in Somalia and Somalia's need for stability and preparation for the 2016 general election which will be an important step for democracy and stability in the country.

The Netherlands representatives underlined that they appreciate the constructive role Ethiopia is playing to stabilize the region through Ethiopia's significant participation to UN and AU peacekeeping missions.

On the same day, the Minister held a courtesy call with Secretary General of the Netherlands Foreign Ministry, in which both sides emphasized the importance of regular meetings and consultations between the two countries.

On the 6th of March, the State Minister had an exchange of views with the Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation, Lilianne Ploumen, during which both parties exchanged about the excellent bilateral, political and economic relations between the two countries. H.E. Lilianne Ploumen appreciated Ethiopia's economic boost and promised to encourage Dutch foreign direct investments in Ethiopia and stressed the importance of Ethiopia's exports of floriculture, vegetables and fruits towards the Dutch market.

Cooperation, trade and private sector between the Netherlands and Ethiopia

The State Minister appreciated complementarity between the two countries, strategic areas of

investment and experience sharing to improve the business climate. In this regard, it was emphasized that foreign direct investments coming from Dutch companies have greatly contributed to the development of sectors such as floriculture and agriculture. However, the need for better logistics and access to credit for business in the sector of agro-processing was raised by the Netherlands representatives. The State Minister further said that the Government of Ethiopia is indeed committed to improve the business climate of the country in its bid to attract foreign direct investments and further boost trade with the Netherlands and other countries. He also explained the establishment of the "one-stop" service for investors coming to Ethiopia, by the Ethiopian Investment Commission. Meanwhile, the State Minister stressed the scaling up of the support given by the Netherlands Government to the private sector in Ethiopia. He further explained that the second Growth and Transformation Plan (GTP II) is expected to give a new impetus to the manufacturing sector in Ethiopia, among others through the setting up of industrial zones. This plan will be an important step in Ethiopia's transform from an agriculture-based economy to an industry-based. Specific discussion was also held on the Netherlands-Ethiopian business forum, which will be held next October/November and involve business delegations of the two countries. The delegations also discussed the preparation of the high-level summit Financing for Development Conference, which will be hosted by Ethiopia in July 2015.

The State Minister later on participated in a business round table with Dutch private sector in The Hague and met representatives of Dutch companies which have successfully invested in Ethiopia and other companies planning to invest in the future. On the same day, a meeting was also organized with Olympic Fruits company, that has already started investing in Tigray (Raya). After the briefing by the company about its plan of investment, the State Minister expressed the commitment of the regional as well as Federal Government's efforts to support their endeavor.

In general, Ethiopia and the Netherlands enjoyed excellent bilateral relations at political and economic level, with more than 177 Dutch private investment projects in Ethiopia since 1992. The development cooperation focuses on the promotion of private sector investments. One of the latest investment in Ethiopia is Heineken beer factory near Addis Ababa,

with the capital of 110 million Euros. Ethiopia and the Netherlands have also promoted cooperation in education sector, with different programs going on between Universities and research Institutions.

Last January, when H.E. Mr. Bert Koenders, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands visited Ethiopia to attend the 24th Summit of the African Union, he had a discussion on the sideline with the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia, during which he affirmed his country's readiness to further strengthen relations with Ethiopia. Though the political consultations of this week were planned earlier, they strengthen this commitment.

Meeting of Ethiopian Ambassadors in Europe

Upon returning from The Hague on the 7th of March,

the State Minister had a meeting at the Ethiopian Embassy in Brussels with Ethiopian Ambassadors posted in Europe. The discussions mainly focused on how every Embassy has to cooperate in the exchange of experiences and information by using the existing coordination mechanism. The State Minister briefed the Ambassadors about the consultations in The Hague with the Government of the Netherlands and his discussions with different Parliamentarians in Brussels. At the meeting, the State Minister and Ambassadors have exchanged views on regional issues, Ethiopian diaspora movements, Ethiopian 5th National and regional elections and some other important issues.

ECONOMY

Ethiopian Ambassador Teshome Toga met investors in Brussels

On Monday 9 March, Teshome Toga Chanaka met investors from Belgium and Luxembourg at the Chamber of Commerce CBL-ACP in Brussels in order to promote investment and trade opportunities in Ethiopia. The Ambassador briefed about 35 interested businessmen and women on the recent economic and business developments in Ethiopia, showing that there was enough potential in the country for investments coming from every country, and that the infrastructure of the country was rapidly improving in terms of transport and electric supply. He also reaffirmed that the Ethiopian mission in Brussels was keen to help investors seeking a first contact with the Ethiopian market and authorities. A special guest of the event, François Meynot, Lawyer at the Paris Court with a long experience in backing foreign investors in Ethiopia, gave a presentation of the Ethiopian legal framework and the commercial code of the country, during which

he shared practical tips with the audience. Similarly, he strongly encouraged the participants to “be among the first to open the doors” of Ethiopia, which potential is still underestimated. During a Q&A session between participants, the Ambassador and François Meynot, different questions were raised such as the issue of transport between the port of Djibouti and the Ethiopia highlands, the taxation system, and also the importance of the Chinese investments in Ethiopia. Ambassador Teshome Toga explained to the participants that, even though China was quite present in the country, there were enough opportunities for companies from every country to invest in different sectors, some of which are still untapped. Regarding the issue of transport, the Ethiopian representative said that several new dry ports had been recently opened and that new ones were under construction in Addis Ababa, in addition to the railway project which will connect

Ethiopia with Djibouti.

In order to give an opportunity to the participants to learn more about investment and trade opportunities in the country, a visit to Ethiopia will

be organized soon by CBL-ACP in cooperation with the Ethiopian Embassy in Brussels. To get more information, please get in touch with CBL-ACP on <http://www.cblacp.eu>.



Round table with investors at CBL-ACP in Brussels, this Monday

Italian, Greek companies assessing opportunities in Ethiopia

Italian and Greece investors in floriculture, coffee, leather, mining and energy sectors visited Addis Ababa this week to assess business and investment opportunities and discuss with Ethiopian counterparts on possible partnerships. Speaking on the occasion, Ethiopian State Minister for Foreign

Affairs, Dewano Kedir expressed hope that the forum would create opportunity for the companies to work in partnership. Ethiopia has been on the investment radar for many investors, due to the development of the country, he said. The political stability and economic development, conducive investment

atmosphere and favorable policy, combined with abundant natural resources and cheap labor are factors making the nation a favorable investment destination.

Some 200 investment projects with an aggregate capital 6.2 billion Birr owned by Italy companies have been operating in Ethiopia between 1994 and 2014. The State Minister said that the Government was willing to expand its economic relations with

Greece.

Representative of Natalepelli, an Italian leather company, Roberto Natale told ENA that Ethiopia is conducive for investment. "Ethiopia is very good for investment, to do business and its airlines play vital role in this regard. I found Ethiopia very good for investment and do business" he said.

Read the complete article on ENA

<http://ethio.be/1EC8jbA>

Ethiopia beats coffee export target with higher revenues than planned

The half fiscal year of 2014/15 saw a success in terms of achievement in the export of coffee: the country's plan for the first six months of the budget year was to export 73,593.50 tons of coffee and gain an income of 269 million dollars, but the actual export was 73,227.90 tons, from a revenue of 307.5 million dollars was gained, 38.5 million dollars above the

target. This additional revenues is due to the higher international coffee price.

This year's plan of the Ministry is to export 235,950 tons of coffee and earn 862.5 million dollars.

Read the complete analysis on Walta Info (11 March 2015) : <http://ethio.be/1EzOmCd>

American Company to Build Electric Car Assembly Plant in Ethiopia

The first ever electric car assembly plant in Africa is going to be built in Ethiopia. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the US based Global Electric Transport Ltd. (GET) and Yeteberut Behereawi Petroleum (YBP), an Ethiopian Share Company engaged in fuel supply, to introduce carbon free road transportation system in Addis Ababa next year.

On the 9th of March, President Mulatu Teshome held discussion with America's Ambassador to Ethiopia, Patricia M. Haslach, and Global Electric Transportation Ltd. Chief Executive Officer, Ken Monter, at the national palace in Addis Ababa. Mr. Ken Monter said the company would start building the assembly plant in Ethiopia in September, 2015. The assembly plant will have 4 million USD starting capital and the exact location where the plant would be built is under study, the CEO said. The plant could

produce 10,000 electric cars within three months.

United State Ambassador to Ethiopia, Patricia M. Haslach, said on her part America is expanding its strong relationship with Ethiopia in peace and security to the economic sphere. The plant that is going to be built is part of this initiative, she added. The cars would contribute to reducing car accidents in the country, Haslach stated.

President Mulatu said Ethiopia is working to expand green economic development. The plant that would be built should therefore be encouraged as it is going to produce carbon free cars. He further urged the company owners to implement the project quickly.

Source : ENA

Ethiopia's diversified agricultural sector

Thanks to its diversified landscape, agro-ecology, and fertile soils with vast arable land (74.3 million

hectares), the Ethiopian agricultural sector has much to offer: from coffee to livestock passing

through oilseeds and flowers. In order to take full advantage of this diversity, important steps were made by the Ethiopian Government in the last two decades to accelerate growth and transformation in this sector, which remains a predominant in the Ethiopian economy. In fact, it is accounting for nearly 42.9% of the gross domestic product (GDP), about 90% of foreign currency earnings and 82% of employment. The transformation of the agriculture

of other sectors of the economy. Recognizing that large capital investments are needed to exploit Ethiopia's resources, incentives are being provided to encourage foreign investment (including joint ventures and marketing arrangements).

To accelerate the pace of the programme, the Agriculture Transformation Agency (ATA) was launched in 2011 with the aim of disseminating



sector is therefore central to drive the economy transition to a manufacturing based economy and to reach middle-income country status by 2025.

Launched two decades ago, the Agricultural Development Led Industrialization (ADLI) strategy put agriculture at the forefront of Ethiopia's development process and provided an overarching plan for economic development on the basis of agricultural transformation. The goal is to increase productivity leading to higher employment, incomes, and investable surplus for the development

improved planting, fertilizing and harvesting techniques and ensure that these new practices are adopted by smallholder farmers. The ATA is scaling up these best practices through a network of agriculture extension workers and innovative ways of communication, such as an interactive voice response and SMS system providing smallholder farmers free with information on cereal, horticulture, and pulse/oil seed crops, as well as a wide range of agriculture-related activities and innovations.

Ethiopia is the origin and largest producer of coffee

in Africa and the fifth worldwide, with a reputation for producing some of the world's finest organic coffees. The soil of the forest floor is enriched from falling leaves, making fertilizers unnecessary. Most regions of Ethiopia are furthermore suitable for the production of a wide range of tropical and sub-tropical fruits, vegetables and flowers, thanks to the country's favorable climate, abundant labor, fertile land and water resources. Cut flower and vegetable production are fast growing export businesses, and Ethiopia is a center of diversity for a variety of flowering plants. While the contribution of the livestock industry to the country's total exports is currently low compared to its potential, this sector also holds great promise as a source of export diversification for the future. The export of finished leather and leather products (such as leather garments, footwear, gloves, bags and other leather articles) has been increasing over the last years.

Moreover, some other parts of the sector represent substantial opportunities for new investment:

plantation crops (such as tea and tobacco); production and processing of oil crops and cotton; fish farming; forestry and forest by-products. Ethiopia is also the home of the gluten-free cereal teff, which has been the main ingredient of Ethiopian food for thousands of years. Thanks to its rich nutritious characteristics, there is a global growing demand for teff.

Finally, Ethiopia has tremendous and potential for investment in agro-processing. While the government encourages the export of unprocessed agricultural products, it has placed incentives for investment and export of processed products, which involve and stimulate the growth of the agro-processing sector. Through the development of agro-processing, Ethiopia's agricultural sector can achieve swift and sustained long-term economic development.

EDUCATION

Organizing and improving education in Ethiopia

Ethiopia achieved an impressive growth of its education system during the past 20 years. Education is a central policy for the economic endeavor of the country. The Government allocates a substantial amount the budget to this sector: it increased from 11 billion birrs in 2008/9 to 33 billion in 2012/13. Ethiopia has a population of nearly 90 million people out of which about 40% are less than 14 years old. Therefore, the organization of the primary, secondary and higher education systems are of primary significance for the development of the country. In 2013, 22,341,232 young people were enrolled in education, out of which 17,430,294 million in primary, 1,900,735 million in secondary

and 583,970 in higher education).

In 1997, the Government embarked on a 20-year education reform program articulated in a series of four comprehensive Education Sector Development Programs (ESDPs), which enabled significant progresses in education. These progresses include an increase of the access to the education system, a sharp increase in the number of teachers, schools and institutions, a decrease of disparities, a strengthening of regional education offices and communities, and a massive extension of the university system. ESPD IV (2010-2015) is currently implemented, and focuses among others on enhancing the quality of higher education,

guaranteeing a better inclusion of unreached and disadvantaged children, on strengthening the knowledge creation, particularly in the field of

education system, with an annual average growth rates of 62.0% for pre-primary, 2.9% for primary and 4.6% for secondary education, 15.5% for



Source: Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (MoFED)

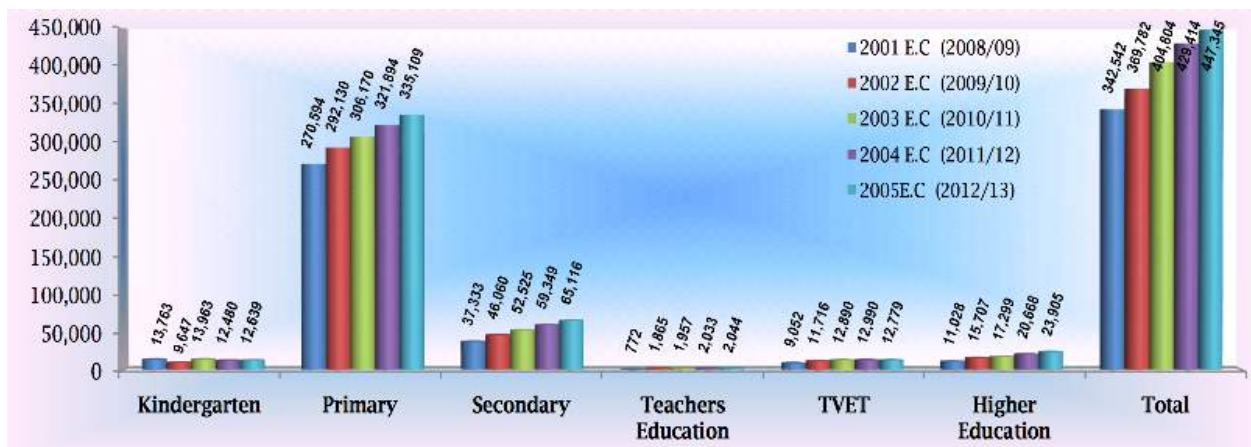
science and technology, and on the enhancement of the work force (342,000 teachers in 2008, 447,000 in 2013). To this day, the achievements of ESDPs are fundamental to allow Ethiopia to progress towards becoming a middle-income economy by the year 2025.

While Ethiopia had only two Universities and 42,000 students by the end of the 1990s, 31 public universities now accommodate about 450,000 students across the country. Moreover, the private higher education institutions are also rapidly expanding. In total, the gross admission for higher learning institutions both private and public have reached over 583,970. In the last five years alone enrollment has sharply increased at all levels of the

undergraduate and 32.6% for postgraduates. The rate of primary school completion is also increasing from year to year: for example, between 2009 and 2010, it passed from 44% to 48%.

[Graph showing evolution of enrollment comes here]

The World Bank, European Commission, UNDP, UNESCO, and UNICEF as well as many national cooperation agencies are supporting this Ethiopian endeavor in the field of education. In addition to local support, different agreements have been signed with different countries in order to promote student and PhD exchanges.



Evolution of enrollment in the Ethiopian Education Sector. Source: MOE

TOURISM

Addis Ababa ranked as a “city of the future” with a bright potential

According to the annual “Wealth Report” released by the global real estate consultancy Knight Frank on March 5, Ethiopia’s capital is among four cities in the world dubbed as “Cities of the Future”. This assessment is based on the wealth creation opportunities they will present in the future.

Africa’s fastest-growing economy, Ethiopia, benefits from not only the political importance of Addis Ababa but also the 3.8% annual growth rate of the population within the capital. In addition to natural growth, there is vast rural urban migration, which

planners predict combined could lead to the size of the city surging by 2040 to over 8.1 million.

With the presence of the African Union headquarters, and the headquarters of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, as well as a number of continental and international organizations, the city is commonly regarded as the political capital of Africa, lending a strong diplomatic and political edge to its growing economic strengths.

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ANNOUNCEMENT FOR BUSINESSES: TEXTILE AND GARMENT FAIR IN ETHIOPIA

Origin Africa/Africa Sourcing and Fashion Week 2015, one of biggest textile and garment event on the continent, is due take place in Ethiopia from on 21-23 October 2015 at the Millennium Hall in Addis Ababa. The event organizers have stated that they expect over 200 exhibitors to participate in the upcoming event. The 3 day event will encompass a trade exhibition, conference, business to business (B2B) meetings and a fashion designer exposition. Experts said that this kind of event is a good opportunity for Ethiopia to showcase its potential for genuine investors and buyers.

More information on the Ethiopian Invest Commission:

<http://ethio.be/1xksDq9>

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