## **Eritrea Symposium: The Imperative for Common Action** *Frankfurt Declaration 2018*

Celebrating the Eritrean and Ethiopian peace agreement that has removed an existential threat to Eritrean sovereignty and urging the expeditious demarcation of the border;

Welcoming the lifting of UN sanctions as important removal of a stumbling block to national consensus;

*Recognising the need for – and looking forward to – inclusive national reconciliation;* 

And cherishing the palpable spirit of peace, patriotism and national unity:

The participants of the Eritrea Symposium facilitated by Eri-Platform in Frankfurt, Germany, from 14 to 16 December 2018, hereby call on all Eritrean compatriots inside the country and in the diaspora, and those in opposition as well as members and supporters of the government, to:

- 1. Demand and urgently work toward the instituting of a constitutional government that protects the fundamental rights of the citizens and safeguards the paramount interest of the nation.
- 2. Strongly advocate for the protection of the human rights of Eritreans in dire situations of irregular migration and human trafficking by urging the African Union, the European Union, governments in transit countries and human rights organisations worldwide to stage an intervention.

We have established a global mobilizing taskforce to reach out to all concerned Eritrean citizens and friends of Eritrea in the realisation of these two most pressing objectives of our time.