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THE CROWN COUNCIL OF ETHIOPIA

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**STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF
LIJ KIDANE WOLD ALEMAYEHU**

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The Crown Council of Ethiopia expresses its great sorrow at the passing of *Lij* Kidane Wold Alemayehu. We hereby convey our sincere condolences to his widow Woizero Amasale Hailu, to his children, grandchildren, extended family, and loved ones.

Lij Kidane tirelessly served his country and his people from his youth up to the end of his life. Before leaving his country, he worked in the Ministries of Education and the Interior for 12 years. He then worked with the Imperial Telecommunications Board in several high-level posts and was awarded the Order of the Star of Honour of Ethiopia by His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I for his service. After this, *Lij* Kidane worked with United Nations agencies for 28 years, in key developmental roles, in eleven different African and Middle Eastern countries.

After his retirement, *Lij* Kidane sought to address some unresolved issues of justice in Ethiopia. Among his efforts was his relentless campaign seeking an official apology and compensation from the Italian government and the Vatican for the atrocities committed against Ethiopia during the fascist invasion and occupation. He founded and led the international organization known as “The Global Alliance of Justice – The Ethiopian Cause,” thus showing his dedication to the cause of justice for Ethiopia and Ethiopians.

Lij Kidane was a very humble, respectful person, clothed in the mannerliness of a good Ethiopian. He strove tirelessly for his country.

May God repose the soul of *Lij* Kidane and comfort his family and loved ones.