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The Gambella Peoples Liberation Army (GPLA), as one of the founders of the United Forces (UFs) that signed the Washington DC historical agreement on November 05/2021, strongly condemns the OLA/GLF/A's' attack in the Gambella City on June 14/2022, causing indiscriminate killings of civilians among whom one of them was a Canadian Citizen, Oman Ojwato. The OLA, in its joint attack in Gambella with the GLF rebels of Galuak Boum Pal (Nuer) was/is an aggression gesture to contradict and comprise the struggle of the GPLA for the confederation it has signed for Gambella as the only solution to halt the Ethiopian regime sponsored long atrocities and genocidal killings against the indigenous populations in this region. The OLA/GLF attack in the Gambella city was a violation of the principles of the UFs behind the back door of the GPLA that represents the region's indigenous peoples in the Washington DC agreement. The OLA has no jurisdiction in Gambella region, and the attack of the Gambella city at the back door of the UFs principles, is a breach of trust which implies aggression propelled by its traditional sentiment of expansionism and occupation.

The formation of the GLF from its very beginning has been reputed with the TPLF members many times in the Nations and Nationalities Council meetings of which the TPLF has been accused of as an initiator and plan to deliberately divide and rule the indigenous peoples of the Gambella region; given the background and attachment of the GLF members in the former TPLF/EPRDF government and the conspiracy that led to genocides of which the December 13/2003 the indigenous Anuaks genocide was one of its climaxes. Similarly, the GLF membership has also been sharply reputed with the TPLF/OLA members in the United Front meetings without reaching a common agreement on the ground that the GLF, from its day one operations, has been acting as a traitor, targeting the indigenous populations or civilians rather than the PP government military forces, given the concrete evidence at the ground that cannot be reputed of its reality.

The accusation of the GLF membership in UFs of its illegitimacy, not only for its immigrant representation background in the region but its supporters of the armed refugees in the refugee's camps in the region who the PP government is using as tools to inflict and evict the indigenous populations to acquire and occupy the indigenous lands and resources in the Gambella region. The GLF plays a political betrayal game against the OLA. Consequently, the OLA becomes the victim of the deceitful ethnic war of Galuak Boum Pal. The OLA must understand that the Galuak Boum Pal's vision is not liberating the Gambella people but regional leadership obsession, as he always claims on social media, with unsubstantial claiming of Nuer's majority of Gambella.

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During the rebel's operation, the GLF rebels (traitors) fled the battle and left the OLA rebels alone in unfamiliar territory, costing them despicable loss. Although the city is relatively calm now, reliable sources confirm that there are still shootings in some pockets where OLA rebels are hiding in the houses of highlanders. The hiding of the insurgents in the homes of the highlanders in the city implies Galuak Boum Pal and GLF members' well-designed tactics to pit the OLA against the civilians and misdirect the war against the PP government and divert attention to incite ethnic cleansing between Oromo and the indigenous of the Gambella. The attack was concluded with great loss from the OLA rebels, of which the OLA should blame the traitor GLF members for the misguidance in such a shameful operation. The GLF's betrayal of deceitful OLA was evidenced in a video clip circulating in social media showing that the GLF members fled the battlefield to the 01 Kebele area while the OLA forces engaged in a fierce battle with PP Forces.

With due respect, therefore, the GPLA vows to carry out its struggle to bring enduring peace and freedom to the Gambella region through a confederation where the natives and peace-loving-residents, including the immigrants, can live together without harm. The GPLA appeals to the OLA/OLF to revisit the historical neighborhood and friendship with the Oromos as it has existed, calls to refrain from ambitious expansionism, and vows to peaceful co-existence with the Gambella communities as before and to work together to overthrow the evil PP government for the betterment of our peoples to bring better change to the regions.

At this particular time, the GPLA calls upon the international community, particularly the American and UK governments, UN, EU, AU, and many others, including the East African governments) to be supportive and vigilant towards the looming genocidal plans and practices against the indigenous peoples not only in Gambella but equally in the Southwest Ethiopia, including the Benishangul and South Omo Valley regions, to consider it a moral obligation to preserve the human race from the Ethiopian regimes tyranny and predatory attitudes of extermination against the minority tribes in Ethiopia. The GPLA will vow in its struggle to bring confederation to these communities as its everlasting goal of which it will not waver at any cost to allow any oppressive elements in these regions.

Victory to GPLA and peace and freedom to Gambella!

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