

ALERT:

Eritrean Refugees, Resettlement Agencies and Volunteers

Take Note:

Eritrea Regime Loyalists Continue Harassing Refugees

There are many Eritreans living in the United States that are good, law-abiding citizens with good intentions of helping Eritrean refugees arriving here.

However, there are some whose intentions are not good. There is an ongoing problem faced by many Eritrean refugees, and by those helping them to resettle in the U.S. This is interference by some Eritreans living here who remain loyal and supporting to the offending regime whose actions and policies have led to the refugees' flight from Eritrea. There are many such loyalists living in some of our cities – some have been here for many years and do not realize or believe the horrors that are reported about the regime, or who believe the propaganda emitted by the regime. While many loyalists are now turning away from the regime, others continue their support.

As part of their efforts for the regime, these people approach new refugee arrivals and typically berate them about their “abandoning” Eritrea, and then may proceed to pressure them to join their local community center with membership fees.

Regime supporters are pressuring refugees to fill out a “Request for Forgiveness” form where the refugee submits his or her personal information to the Eritrean government and begs to be forgiven for turning their back on the government, and to be accepted. Part of the program is to begin paying the 2% income tax required of Eritreans who leave the country. The refugee is asked to provide their W-2 forms, thus revealing their address, SSN, name and address of the employer, and their earnings (used to verify the amount paid for 2% income tax).

To help guard against this abuse,

- Refugees, case workers and volunteers should be aware of this possibility
- Refugees should report incidents of harassment and extortion to the case worker or volunteer
- Refugees should be careful about providing their address or phone number to Eritreans that they do not know. They should not even reveal the neighborhood where they live.

መጠንቀቅታ።

ስደተኛታት ኢርትራውያን፡ ትካላት ውክልና ናይ ምጥያስ ፡ ወለንተኛታት ኣስተውዕሉ።

እመናት ኣገልገልቲ ስርዓት ኤርትራ ንስደተኛታት ምጭናቕም ቀጺሎምሉ ኣለዉ።

ኣብ ሕቡራት መንግስታት ኣመሪካ ዝነበሩ ናብዚ ንዝመፅኡ ስደተኛታት ኤርትራውያን ንምሕጋዝ ብቕንዕና ዝተላዕሉ ሓቀኛታትን፡ ኣኸበርቲ ሕግን ዝኾኑ ብዙሓት ኤርትራውያን ኣለዉ።

ይኹንምበር፡ ገለገለ ዘይጥዑይ ሕልና ዘለዎም ከኣ ኣለዉ። ንብዙሓት ስደተኛታት ኤርትራውያንን ንሳቶም ኣብ ኣመሪካ ንኸገቡ ንዝሕግዙዎም ሰባትን ብቕጻሊ እናኣጋጠመ ዝርከብ ሓደ ሽግር ኣሎ።ንሱ ድማ ናይቲ ብስርሑን ብፖሊሲታቱን ካብ ሃገርም ኤርትራ ንኸሰደዱ ዘብቅዮም ጨቋኒ ስርዓት እመናት ኣገልገልትን ደገፍትን ኮይኖም ዝተረፉ ኣብዚ ዝነበሩ ገለ ኤርትራውያን ዝገብሩዎ ኢድ ምትእትታው እዩ።ከምዚኣም ዝኣመሰሉ እመናት ኣገልገልቲ ኣብ ገለ ከተማታትና ይነበሩ ኣለዉ።ገለ ካብኣቶም ኣብዚ ንብዙሕ ዓመታት ዝተቐመጡ እቲ ስርዓት ብዛዕባ ዝፍጽሞ ግፍዕታት ንዝቐርብ ሪፖርት ዘይግንዘቡ ወይ ዘይኣምኑ ወይከኣ እቲ ስርዓት ንዝዝርግሑ ፕሮፓጋንዳ ዝኣምኑ እዮም።ሽሕኳ ብዙሓት ካብኣቶም ነቲ ስርዓት ይርሕርሑዎ እንተሃለዉ እቶም ካልኣት ግና ነቲ ስርዓት ምድጋፎም ቀጺሎምዎ ኣለዉ።

ሓደ ካብቲ ነቲ ስርዓት ዝህቡዎ ኣገልግሎት ሓደስቲ ስደተኛታት ምጽእ ምስበሉ ይጽግዑዎም ምዃርቲ”ከሓደኩማ” ኢሎም ድሕሪ ምውቃስ ናብቲ ከባቢ ዘሎ ማሕበረሰብ መጺኦም ንኸምዝገቡን ናይ ኣባልነት ክፍሊት ንኸኸፍሉን ጸቕጢ ይገብሩሎም።

ደገፍቲ ናይቲ ስርዓት ስደተኛታት ናይ ጣዕሳ ፎርም መሊኦም “ምሕረት ንኸሓቱ”የገድዱዎም።በዚ ድማ እቲ ስደተኛ ውልቃዊ ሓበሬታኡ/ኣ ንመንግስቲ ኤርትራ ኣቕሪቡ/ባ ንመንግስቲ ጠሊመ ኢሉ/ላ ይቕሬታ ንኸ(ት)ልምን ጸቕጢ ይገብሩ። ሓደ ካብቲ መደብ ኩሎም እቶም ካብ ኤርትራ ዝወጽኡ ሰባት ንኸኸፍሉ ዝግደዱዎ 2% ግብሪ ምክፋል ከምዝጅምሩ ንምግባር እዩ።መጠን ናይቲ ዝኸፈል 2% ንምውሳኔ እቲ ስደተኛ W-2 ንኸቐርብ ስለዝቐሰብ ኣድራሽኡ፡ ሶሻል ሴኩራቲ ቁጽሩ፡ ናይ ኣሰራሒ ስምን ኣድራሻን የጋልጽ ማለትዩ።

ካብዚ ዓመጽ’ዚ ከምዝድሕኑ ንምግባር፡-

- ስደተኛታት፡ ተኸታተልቲ ጉዳያቶም፡ ወለንተኛታት እዚ ተኸእሎ’ዚ ምህላዉ ከስተብህሉ፡
- ስደተኛታት ከምዚ ዓይነት ናይ ጸቕጥን ዘረፋን ኣጋጣሚ ከጓንፎም እንከሎ ነቲ ተረከቦ ንተሓዝቲ ጉዳያቶምን ንወለንተኛታትን ከገልጹሎም ይግባእ።
- ስደተኛታት ኣድራሽኦምን ቁጽሪ ስልኮምን ንዘይፈልጡዎም ኤርትራውያን ንኸይህቡ ጥንቃቄ ከገብሩ ይግባእ።ዝነበሩሉ ሰፈር ክሕብሩ ከማን ኣይግባእን።