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## Free Bertukan Midiksa!!! Free all political prisoners!!!

Bertukan Midiksa, a woman at the head of a political party (UDJ) in Ethiopia, a land where there's no rule of law, who has been detained arbitrarily like thousands of political prisoners is now suffering because of the incredibly bad situation in the prisons of her country.

As soon as Bertukan Midiksa told her mother that she was denied access to medical services, she was taken away and her mother's visit shortened. Her sister was banned from visiting her thus complicating her situation further, since she's the one who is up and about due to the age of their mother. Bertukan's mother W/O Almaz Gebregziabher, who is the one taking care of her granddaughter, made an appeal through the VOA radio fearing the worst as to her daughter's worsening health condition.

The infamous dictator Meles Zenawi, who's been known to bad mouthing all opposition figures, went on the air to add insult to injury by declaring that "Bertukan is so well off in prison that she's growing fat". All Ethiopians should declare their disdain and clear opposition to such a callous, arrogant, ignorant and segregationist person like him.

IEWO / AESED, stands in support of the grandmother, mother, sister and daughter, sympathizes with three generations of women who portray the suffering of women in Ethiopia today be it in prisons or in the country at large fending for themselves and taking care of their families.

IEWO / AESED calls on all opposition organizations in Ethiopia, Ethiopian humanitarian organizations as well as international organizations and institutions to denounce these abuses and call for urgent health access for Bertukan Midikssa.

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