

London 8<sup>th</sup> March 2014

Eritrean women in the United Kingdom showed their solidarity!

The NUEW-UK Branch along with the nationals residing in UK dedicated 8 March Women day through staging a memorial ceremony in connection with the passing away of Major General Gheresgiher Andemariam (Wuchu) on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2014 in London, Birmingham, Manchester, Sheffield, Coventry, Leeds, Liverpool.

The memorial ceremony in London began with a moment of silence in remembrance of those who gave their lives for Eritrea's freedom. Following that, Ms.Hadas Kifle, Chairperson of NUEW-London Branch welcomed everyone and presented the Official NUEW statement on the occasion.

Speaking at the memorial ceremony in which hundreds of citizens took part, Mr. Suleman Hassen, Head of Consular Affairs at the Embassy of State of Eritrea highlighted the unparalleled contribution and heroism manifested by the Eritrean women in achieving the independence of the country, national development and safeguarding the nation's sovereignty. He also congratulated the NUEW for its decisive role in building a new Eritrea leading based on gender equality.

Mr. Suleman Hassen said; - It is with feelings of great sorrow that we in the Embassy of the State of Eritrea in UK and Eritreans in UK at large learned the passing of Major General Gheresgiher Andemariam, a true freedom -fighting icon. On behalf of the Embassy and Eritreans in UK, we wish to convey our deepest condolences and sympathies to Eritrean Defence Forces and the people of Eritrea during this time of national mourning.

He further expressed conviction that such heroic feats are being bequeathed to the young generation. Taking part in the memorial ceremony, the Eritrean community members, including members of the National Association UK Branch, NUEW, PFDJ, Eritrea Communities and YPFDJ, voiced resolve to honour the trust of fallen heroes.

This gallant son, through his unconditional sacrifices and heroism transformed his beloved country, Eritrea, into peaceful multiracial nation that continues to serve as an example of a true and genuine nation in the world.

History will remember Major General Gheresgiher Andemariam "Wuchu" as a great man and hero and inspire generations to come. At this moment, our prayers are with the people of Eritrea and Major General Family in particular and we hope that they will find strength and solace to overcome their sorrow during this period of deep grief.

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