# SHEILA KEETHARUTCH'S UN REPORT ON ERITREA -WEAPON OF MASS DECEPTION (WMD) WITHOUT THOROUGH INVESTIGATION

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The contents of the essay are mainly divided into three sections:

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(<u>Part 1</u>) <u>Injustice against the Eritrean nation</u>: Before discussing the allegation of Crime against humanity brought by the UN commission of inquiry on Eritrea the writer would like to first mention the injustice that is happened to the people of Eritrean, by past and present Ethiopian rulers the TPLF leadership and their powerful ally the United States of America. Using UN institutions, they left no stone unturned to undermine the Eritrean nation using different tactics to sabotage her. If we look back into history the first grave injustice against Eritrea was recorded in early 1950<sup>th</sup> when the then American Ambassador to the UN, John Foster Dulles blatantly said to the UN Security Council the following:

"From the point of view of justice, the opinions of the Eritrean people must receive consideration. Nevertheless the strategic interest of the united states and its ally Ethiopia in the Red Sea basin and considerations of security and world peace make it necessary that Eritrea has to be linked with our ally - Ethiopia"

This powerful words by the United States Ambassador on behalf of Ethiopia are still haunting Eritrea to the present day. As a result of the above statement, the first UN Resolution 390 A was adopted to federate Eritrea under Ethiopia's imperial sovereignty. The approval of the resolution left negative landmark on the people of Eritrea. In other words it was the biggest grave of injustice that has befallen on Eritrea-- a forced marriage that was bound to fail. It is not only that Ten years

later in 1961 Ethiopia supported by its US allay got rid of the UN federation between the two countries, by annexing Eritrea with out the consent of its people. This was a turning point in the Eritrea Ethiopia history. That led to three decades of protracted war of liberation in which the Ethiopian army the biggest in Africa was defeated in the early 90th - when Eritrea gained its independence by herself with out the support of the super powers. Once the whole of Eritrea was liberated, Eritrean Tank Brigade moved south to the heart of Ethiopia in support of the then, comrades in arms, the TPLF leadership to get rid of the common enemy of the time --Mengistu Hailemariam. Mengistu ruled the Ethiopia with iron feast from (1974-1991) But then he was defeated resulting in Eritrea been liberated after three decades of struggle for nation hood. Eritrean was then recognized by the outside world after successfully holding internationally recognized referendum in 1993.

Five years later in 1998 the border dispute between Eritrea and Ethiopia erupted and the two countries fought unnecessary war which came to an end with it the Algiers agreement of December 2000-which was "final and binding." Ethiopia renegade on the Algiers agreement deploying ineffectual arguments like she has accepted it in principle but she wanted dialogue first. To Eritrea the Algiers agreement means what it says in its entirety. However Ethiopia then led by the late Ethiopian Premiere Meles Zenawi, his satellite states Somali, Djibouti and his successor Hailemariam Desalenge now out of power - used endless tactics including regime change propaganda to thwart the Algiers agreement trying to associate Eritrea with the terrorists organization in Somalia. In doing so, Ethiopia used UN institutions to sanction the Eritrean nation relentlessly.

Then sanctions were followed: In December 2009 UN Security Council passed Resolution 1907 against Eritrea imposing arms embargo, in 2011 Resolution 2023 was passed reinforcing previous sanctions which was brought about by the Somali Eritrean Monitoring Group which was investigating the arms supply to Alshebaba. But after a through investigation by the Somali Eritrea Monitoring group in 2014, they came to the conclusion and said there is no evidence that Eritrea supplies arms to the Alshebab. Still the minority Government of Ethiopia led by TPLF and its allies undeterred by the view that Eritrea has nothing to do with Alshebab continued their injustice upon the people of Eritrea by passing yet another UN Resolution 2317 in November 2016 and decided to maintain the sanction in 2017. Eritrea is still under false premise of UN instigated sanction of injustice brought by Meles and the rest of TPLF leadership.

When it comes to Eritrea even former UN officials have played their role to undermine the Eritrean nation using their status in interfering in the internal affairs of Eritrea. For instance Mat Bryden of Canada the former Coordinator of the Eritrea Somalia Monitoring Group and Ghassan Schbley of the US were sacked for their lack of professionalism and political bias that severely undermined their credibility. When they failed to present objective neutral report on Eritrea--- by deliberately undermining the Government of Eritrea in leaking / exaggerating reports about Eritrea--- with out informing the Eritrean Government. Both have been replaced from their job for bringing disrepute to the organization they worked for. Another UN official Dinesh Mahtani who was UN member of

the Somali Eritrea Monitoring Group from UK and financial expert was also advocating regime change in Eritrea using UN SEMG letter head - again he was sacked. So one can see how UN institutions and the people who work for the it behave unprofessionally. Instead of being neutral brokers they tend to take sides subjecting countries like Eritrea with endless sanctions and injustice. Thus the injustice against the Eritrean nation still continued unabated. Now we have another UN institution, the UN Commission of Inquiry on Eritrea led by Sheila Keetharuth (now game over for her as well) were appointed by Ethiopia's allies Susan Rice, the former American Ambassador to the UN to dig negative materials to implicate the Eritrean nation using unsubstantiated information in alleging Crime against Humanity.

(Part 2) But what is the definition of Crime against humanity? According to Wikipedia Crimes against humanity are certain acts that are deliberately committed as part of widespread or systematic attack directed against any civilian or an identifiable part of a civilian population. Crimes against humanity can also be committed during peace or war. They are not isolated or sporadic events but are part either of a government policy or of wide spread of atrocities tolerated or condoned by a government or de facto authority. For instance, murder, massacre, dehumanization, genocide, ethnic cleansing, deportation, unethical human experimentation, extra judicial punishment, including summary execution, use of weapons of mass destruction (WMD), state terrorism, or state sponsoring of terrorism, death squads, kidnappings and forced disappearances, military use of children, unjust imprisonment, enslavement, torture, rape, political, racial, or religious repression that reach the threshold or crime against humanity if they are part of a widespread or systematic practice. So in order to understand the allegation brought by the UN commission of Inquiry on Eritrea lets have a look at past and present crime against humanity that happened around the world on Industrial scale with indelible evidence.

(A) The Holocaust: During the Second World war Germany was experiencing sever economic hardship, that there was mass unemployment and the Nazi party lead by Adolf Hitler was in power. He masterminded with his elite unit of Nazis collaborates - to kill millions of Jews. Their master plan was to find a scape goat for their failure to improve the economic conditions of the country. Hitler and his entourage introduced anti Semitic laws which discriminated against Jews in Europe. He was deliberately spreading lies and innuendos labelling Jews as parasites who need to be cleared from planet Earth by mass killing. The minister of propaganda in Nazi Germany at the time Josef Gobbles and his followers convinced themselves in the view that "If you tell a lie big enough and keep on repeating it, people will eventually come to believe it" They used this propaganda to achieve their objectives. At the time they were believed by some sections of German society and were able to carry out their purposely planned extermination of Jews, until Nazi Germany was defeated by allied forces. It should be noted that to portray Jew as the enemy of Nazi Germany was a tool that was used to attain their evil intentions in establishing six extermination camps. They were intentionally built-- to be used as a poison gas chamber to kill or exterminate Jews. Hitler's inhuman policy resulted in the extermination of about 4-5 Million Jews who were killed by starvation, disease, suffocation in gas chambers, in one of the largest Nazi occupied camps in

Poland called Auschwitz. This terrible period in history is referred to as the Holocaust and the Nuremberg trail was set up designedly for those remnants of Hitler to be brought to trail and face the consequence of their action for the crime they committed against innocent people. The Nuremberg trail was a series of military tribunal held by allied forces under International law and the laws of war after WW2 to prosecute the crimes against Humanity committed by Hitler's forces. When the trail was set up, the hunt down for Hitler's gangs continued unabated and those who participated in the plot to eradicate Jews like Hermann Goring one of the most surviving officials at the time were brought to trail. But many of the ring leaders like Hitler, Gobbles minister of propaganda for Nazi Germany who participated in the massacre of Jews committed mass suicide than face trail in Nuremberg. So this was crime against humanity beyond reasonable doubt and is enshrined into international (November 1945) law recorded as the biggest crime against humanity of the 20th century **On Industrial scale.** Lets hope the Holocaust is the last and would never be repeated again.

(B) The apartheid era of White South Africa: Apartheid was an Ideology introduced by the National party of South Africa in 1948. It was all white government of South Africa. Its aims and objectives were purely evil in enforcing policies of race, segregation under a system of legislation that is called Apartheid. The idea behind it is simple, the Afrikaners who are the ethnic group descendants from dominantly Dutch settlers who migrated to the Southern African region in the 17th and 18th century dominated South Africa's agricultural and politics prior to 1994. Apartheid imposed white supremacy rule by classifying all South African inhabitants into racial groups. That non white political participation was outlawed, their citizenship revoked, education, residential area, medical care, common areas such us public transport, beaches and amenities were segregated. It separated communities by race, forcing different racial groups to live and develop separately. The concept was simple to cement their control over economic, Social and political system of the country- in order to enforce supremacy by classifying all south African inhabitants into racial groups.

Eventually the evil apartheid era was forced to go when black Southern Africans got stronger and the International community imposed tough sanctions in boycotting the South African goods and its politics. The government of the minority white rule was shaken under its fit, when it realize the inevitability of defeat. Then it decided to come to terms with reality in accepting majority rule in South Africa. Initially it began to release political prisoners like Mandela who spent 18 of his 27 years as a political prisoner in Robeen island was released 1990. Soon afterwords the formation of a democratic government in 1994 led by Nelsen Mandela was recognized by the outside world and the evil apartheid era was buried into the dustbin of history. Thus the crime against humanity imposed upon all non white South Africans was carried out on an *Industrial scale when it was* finally abolished, never to return again.

(C) Genocide in Rwanda: As in the case of Rwanda, it was the worst mass killing that happened in the African continent. The Outbreak of the mass killing of Tutsi one of the ethnic group in Rwanda in 1994 was a genocide beyond any doubt and an estimated 800.000 to a Million Tutsis were

slaughtered under the orders of the Government of the day that was run by the bigger ethnic group in Rwanda called - the Hutu s who were governing on a majority rule at the time. The population of Rwanda at the time was more than 7 million and now about 10 million. The Hutus made up roughly 85/% of the population, Tutsis 14% and the third ethnic group called the Twa 1%. How this situation escalated beyond reason was that there was rivalry between the Hutu Majority and the Tutsi Minority. The Tutsis generally occupied strata in the Social System and the Hut-is were less educated and had the lower strata. Rwanda was a former colonial of Germany when it lost its power during the first world war. The territory was placed under Belgian administration in the late 50th. During the great wave of decolonization tension between the two communities increased. The Hutu's knew they were the majority and majority rule was gaining momentum while the minority Tutsi s who were well established resisted democratization and the loss of their acquired privilege as they were the most educated once. As a result there has been incidents in 1959 when violent incident sparked a Hutu peasant revolution lasting until 1961. This period signified an end of the educated Tutsi domination at higher places while the Hutu s were sniffing majority rule.

In 1962 Rwanda gained its independence and majority rule of the Hut's was established. Immediately afterwords about 500.000 Tutsi s and few moderate Hutu s left the country to neighbouring countries like Burundi, Uganda, Zaire Tanzania to escape violence, but later pleaded to return back to Rwanda. However The Rwandan president at the time Juvenal Habyarmana (Hutu) took the position in saying that that population pressure was so great and economic opportunities too few to accommodate large number of Tutsi Rwandans to return and refused them to come back to their country. While the tussle between the government and those who want to return was going, the Rwandan Patriotic Movement was from time to time carrying attacks on Rwanda from Uganda. knowing full well the situation could have an explosive consequence. The UN Security Council set up United Nation Assistance Mission for Rwanda, led by Kofi Annan. The UN mission were already in Rwanda to observe the volatile situation in the country. Then in April 1994 the Rwandan president a Hutu died in a plane crush caused by rocket attack fired by the Rwandan Patriotic Front. The news of his death disseminated by the Rwandan media spread like wild fire. Less than half an hour after the presidents death, road blocks manned by Hutu militia men was set up to identify Tutsis to kill them as they were seen as **cockroaches**. Presidential guards began killing Tutsi civilians in the capital city Kigali. It hen ignited several weeks of intense systematic massacre of Tu sis and moderate Hutu s by the majority Hutus, against their fellow citizen. As many as one million people were estimated to have perished either killed by Machete or by other means to get rid of the Tu-sis from Rwanda.

Note also UN peace Keeping forces led by Kofi Ann were stationed in Rwanda but stood by silently while the genocide was going on. In fact classified UN documents revealed that Kofi Annan was informed two weeks before the genocide by Hutu informants, that genocide against the Tutsi s was imminent. Kofi Anna remained indifferent to the massacre while he was responsible for UN peace keeping mission in Rwanda. He was accused for not intervening to safe the Tutsi or could have called on the Security Council to stop the killing field. Instead he was blamed for siding with

the Hutu's and the genocide in Rwanda happen due to the failure of his responsibilities and he is never allowed to set foot in Rwanda. So the Rwandan Genocide was one of the most shocking genocide of our time. Those who participated in the Genocide were tried by International Crime Tribunal in Arush --Tanzania and many perpetrators of the genocide were arrested from around the world. The Rwandan genocide shocked the world community and the impotence of UN peace keeping troops was exposed as useless. Why? Because those who faced genocide were Africans not Europeans and the UN did nothing to help Rwandan lives. The French government was also blamed for arming the Hutu's and were suspected in showing their indifference as they were supporting the Hutu majority's. Therefore the genocide of Rwandan Tutsis on Industrial scale was one of the most shameful Crime against humanity that happened in Africa and the Security Council looked other way.

(D) Crime against humanity on the Bosnian Moslem's of Former Yugoslavia. Another crime against humanity that happened in front of our eyes was the Bosnian war of 1992/95 in which the Bosnian army leader known as the Butcher of Bosnia Ratko Moladic former commander of the Bosnian Serb army personally directed the massacre in Sebrenica in July —1995 when more than 8.000 Muslim men and boys aged 17-25 years were slaughtered and dumped in a mass graves. About 11.000civilians died from shelling, gunfire or sniper fire. The Bosnian war was also recorded as Europe's worst mass killing since the Second world War. The aim and objective of of the Bosnian army general was purely to carve out grater Serbia from the ashes of the former Yugoslavia and clear the country of non from former Yugoslavia. Sebrenica was a Bosnian enclave under UN protection but it was over run by by the Bosnian army General. The Dutch UN peace Keeping were scared to confront Miladich even when all the UN troops that were suppose to protect the Bosnian Moslem's looked in different direction. Serb forces then separated Moslem's and Croat s and shot them dead. It was Europe's worst mass killing since Second World War.

The UN Dutch Peace keeping army were not able to save the Bosnian Moslem's. It was a tragedy that the UN keeping forces should have intervened to stop the massacre since they were protecting the enclave. But the UN peace keeping behaved sheep-sly while entire Moslem population was massacred. And the culprits Ratko Miladich the criminal offender who has been on the run for 16 years was finally captured in 2011 and was brought to trail. After his capture an International Crime Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia was set up in Hague by the UN Security Council. They heard from 591 witness and examined about 10.000 exhibits concerning hundreds of separate crimes. The crime he and others committed was so enormous that when arrested he was given life sentence for crime against humanity committed against the Bosnian Moslem's. Thus the Bosnian war was one of the most significant warfare crimes case in Europe since Nuremberg tribunal of 1945/6. Because the scale of the atrocities involved was completely unimaginable and the impotence of UN forces was exposed for the second time as powerless causing more problems than it can solve.

(E) Crime against humanity in the Gaza Strip Palestine. The suffering of the Palestinian people have gone for decades from 1948 up to the present day. Governments around the world and the mass media are showing complete indifference to the plight of Palestinians for Justice: In 2014 the

Israeli Defence Forces invaded Gaza alleging Rockets attacks by Hamas causing crime against humanity on Palestinians in the Gazza strip —on unimaginable level. That phosphors bombs were used against civilians, houses demolished, including those occupying it, and up to 60.000 Palestinian homes have been demolished since 1948, Palestinian cash crops like olive trees have been uprooted, Palestinian militants are hunted down and killed in cold blood. Israeli defence force routinely brutalize, terrorize the people of Palestine. Civilians including children were killed indiscriminately. Children under age were arrested and sent to jail. In the 80th Israeli Soldiers used to arrest stone throwing young Palestinians and literally break their arms by bare stone— so that they can not do it again. They used excessive force against defenceless Palestinian in West Bank or Gazza. They brutalize / terrorize even young children of 15 years are shot in the head as happening all the time.

The brutalization of Palestinians has not stopped. In April 01/04/2018 the Observer said about 18 Palestinians were killed and about 1.400 were wounded while demonstrating peacefully against the illegal occupation of their land by Israel. It should be remembered that when Britain withdrew from Palestine in 1948 Israel was founded. The British withdrawal triggered the expulsion of Palestinians from their home which led to what is called the **NAQBA or CATSTROPHE** in which more than 800.000 were forced out from their homes by the Israeli forces scattered in neighbouring countries like Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, and Gaza in which almost 2.million people are living in a strip of land that measures 25 miles in length and 5 miles in width. Gaza has been blockaded by Israel - and Egypt does not always open its border with Gazza creating more misery for the Palestinians.

Between April and June this year Palestinians in Gazza have been demonstrating against Israeli occupation of their land in what is called "The Great March of Return". The march of return is not an empty slogan, it is not an empty rally it is simply cry for justice to mark the anniversary of NAQBA. To which the Palestinians wanted to reassert their right of return to the land in Israel from which they were expelled or forced to flee in 1947/48. During the NAQBA demonstration so far about 150 Palestinians have been killed and around 15.000 injured by live ammunitions including 50 people amputated from west down. The crime against humanity against the Palestinians continues up to the present hour with out any hope for the Palestinians. The tragedy for the Palestinians is that they have no land of their own as they are surrounded by Israel and hostile Arab countries. America has abandoned them, West European Governments have abandoned them, Liberal Democrats have abandoned them, the Arab World has turned its back on Palestinians, and the Palestinian leaders themselves are also divided - it is catastrophic. What is even more tragic for the Palestinians is that, the Arab world instead of liberating Palestine with a stroke of a pen, they are complicit and have now become an extension of the Israeli army in destroying Palestinian aspiration for a two state solution. As for the Palestinians who live in Gaza it is even worst because Gaza is the biggest concentration camp in the World. It is surrounded by Israel and Egypt, its 2 million population are starving, many families who can not feed their family for luck of food during Remadan are commuting suicide as Channel 4 in London has shown on10/11 May 2018.

One would anticipate the corporate media would highlight the plight of Palestinians for the suffering they are going through. But to no avail as the mass media and the establishment seem to deliberately ignoring the Crime Against Humanity that is happening to the Palestinians, because they are Arabs. Only few Television channels like Russia Today (RT) Al-Jazeera would show extensive exposer of Palestinian death and oppression by the Israeli Defence Force. Other television stations especially the American once would ignore the crime against humanity that is happening to Palestinians because of the strong Jewish lobby that dominates American politics. The rest of the corporate media are also purposely hiding the truth from the public and can twist things the way they want the news to be broadcasted. We need to remember the mass media is a powerful tool in the Western media and if they so wish truth can be interpreted as lies and lies can be interpreted as truth.

Note also the establishment, the arms industry, the Judiciary, the Police, influential people like Kissinger, Clinton, and Obama are seen as part of the so called "Deep State" and are not interested in Crime against humanity that does not serve their interest. Even the UN can not escape the blame because it is completely impotent - unable to do anything as the Americans would use their veto to block any resolution that condemns Israel and that is why the latter have a strangle hold on West Bank and Gazza strip. It is for these reasons that Gaza is described by many international experts as the biggest prison in the world because the Israeli army has blockaded it by land Sea and Air and the population of Gaza have been deliberately suffocated facing enormous economic and social damage to its inhabitants.

More over the UN is unable to bring charges against the Israeli Defence Force who are committing crimes against humanity on Palestine – because Israel is a powerful country and the United States and West European leaders would come to its defence. The Arab countries are too busy fighting among themselves rather than to liberate Palestine. Leaders like Mahmoud Abbas the Palestinian leader who resides in West Bank is more or less, guided and feed by America and Israel. Which means more misery for his population than to guide them to independence of two state solution. That is why Israel is systematically building Illegal settlements around West Bank to create facts on the ground by design to destroy the hope of two state solution. One would expect for the UN to become resolute to support for the right of Palestinians for determination but the UN as we know it has now become a tool for the big powers to exert their influence on the poor and defenceless third world countries and to protect countries like Israel from being exposed as occupiers, adopting apartheid policy on Palestinians.

When it comes to Palestinian right to self determination quite few brave and honest journalists or Diplomat try to expose the Crime against humanity that is happening in Palestine. For instance the (Independent News Paper 20th March 2017) said that Rima Khalef a Jordanian under Secretary General for the UN was appointed to conduct a report on the Israeli Government policy towards Palestinians. Her report concluded in saying that Israel is imposing a kind of **Apartheid policy** on Palestinians. As soon as the report appeared on the Economic and Social Commission of Western Asia website (ESCWA) which concluded that Israel is a racist state – it was suddenly withdrawn

after two days. The Jordanian UN official was forced to resign and her report withdrawn, because the UN Secretary General Antonio Gutters distanced himself from the report because he came under huge pressure from Israel and its ally the United States (violators of international law) to withdraw the report and the Secretary General of the UN caved in. Thus crime against humanity is happening in West Bank and Gaza by the Israeli Army but it will be ignored because those who are dying are Palestinians anyway and we need to remember that the Crime against humanity that is happening against the Palestinians is so politicized and the situation in Gaza has now been exacerbated thanks to the diplomatic vandalism (fraught with dangers) of the new American President. president---Donald Trump. Trump is an extreme hawk, Christian Right who believes in Greater Israel, bulling, aggressive, Neo con has now cunningly moved the American Embassy from Telaviv to Jerusalem, disregarding the international consensus on Jerusalem as the capital of both Palestinians and the Israelis. Disregarding Crime against humanity that is happening in Palestinians and rewarding (Benjamin Netanyahu) the right wing Israeli Prime minister to continue to humiliate and demolish Palestinians and their homes. One needs to understand that human right does not exist, even if it does it is only used against the people of third world countries or against nations who are poor but do not toe the line of the bully boys of international politics.

The tragedy of the Palestinians is that their suffering has no parallel in our modern world and there has been complete mass blackout about the suffering of Palestinians people and many ordinary people/politicians are now afraid of raising Palestinian case. Because there is always the fear of being labelled as anti Semite - completely inhibiting legitimate debate about Palestine for a right to nationhood. Taking advantage of the bleak situation of the Palestinians, the Israeli government is with the view that it has unquestionable right to humiliate, punish Palestinians or dehumanize Arabs because the Israeli leader is aware that in Trumps diplomacy Israel can gain more and will not offer them anything as he beliefs in Greater Israel. The other misfortune for Palestinians is that the powerful Arab nations have allied themselves with Israel in suppressing the Palestinian cause. Adding insult to the Palestinian injury we are also bombarded with the view that Israel is the only Democracy in the Middle East. But this is a myth to deliberately hide the crime against humanity that is happening to the Palestinians by the Israeli Defence Force. After all the Democracy that is practised in Israel is purposely tailored to cater for the interest of Israeli's only and it does not apply to Arabs as they are discriminated on a daily basis. There fore to say that there is democracy in Israel while Palestinians are oppressed and humiliated is simply theatrical. That crime against humanity on Palestinians has now reached level of abnormality as Human Right do not apply to Palestinians. Britain and west Europe could have done a lot but remained indifferent to the Palestinian cause and the longer it goes unaddressed it will result in what I call a slow motion of another Naqba / catastrophe on the making for the future of Palestine.

(<u>F</u>) Crime against humanity on the Rohingya Moslems by Myanmar Government: is the latest that is happening in the world at present time. In Myanmar formerly known as Burma ethnic cleansing against the minority Rohingya Moslems has been happening since August 2017 in the Rakhine state of Myanmar. They lived in Myanmar for generations but have not been recognized by

the majority Buddhist Nationalists in Burma who represent 90% of the total population of about 54.million. They were seen as an outcast. As a result about 800.000 Rohingya Moslem's of Bangladeshi origin have been systematically persecuted, murdered, raped, their houses burned, some children were plucked from their mothers arms to be murdered, ethnically cleansed. The crime against the ethnic group committed by the Myanmar government is still continuing. Myanmar soldiers who were ordered by their army leaders to kill Rohingyas is wide spread. Aung Son Suu Kyi the de facto leader of Myanmar who is now blamed for being in complicit in the ethnic cleansing of her own people. The UN investigator for Myanmar Yanghee Lee said in February 2018 that the ethnic cleansing of the Rohingyas has shocked the International community and it bears the hall mark of "mass genocide" on Industrial scale she said. What was surprising about this shocking crime against Humanity is witnessed by the so called goddess of Democracy Aung Son Suu Kyi.. When she was under house arrest in Burma she was advocating democracy and she is now one of the leaders of Myanmar government turning blind eye to the violence of her own people under her watch.

Oxford University Council has stripped her of the freedom of the city award that she was given to her 20 years ago. This is the worst crime that is happening in 2017 and still is happening now. It is hoped the world Community will take action against the Myanmar government but the Myanmar government lately have been destroying evidences of mass graves by burning houses/green fields from which the Rohingyas have been expelled - is now being converted into Military base, roads and complex houses in order to hide the crime the government is committing against them. The world community has now been reduced to spectators and is not doing enough to stop the extermination of ethnic Rohinyga Moslems from Myanmar and their plight may slip out of sight or taken by events. While their population are still displaced unable to return to Myanmar. They are now suffering in silence as the UN is not doing enough to bring relief for them for the crime against humanity that is happening against them by their government and hope the de facto leader Aung Son Suu Kyiwill be prosecuted by the International Criminal court.

#### (G) Crimes against humanity on the people of Eritrea by past & the TPLF leadership in

Ethiopia. Crimes against humanity on the people of Eritrea by Ethiopian rulers started in the early 50 when Ethiopian loyalists called Andenet or Unionists (who wanted to be part of Ethiopia)started targeted assassination and killings of Eritreans who were advocating for Eritrean independence. In the late 50<sup>th</sup> Ethiopia s true colours were shown in practice. That in 1958 Eritrean flag was lowered, that Ethiopian government imposed Ethiopian law on Eritrea, the name Eritrean Government was changed into Eritrean administration. In 1960 the Ministry education of Ethiopia took control of Eritrean schools and Amharic Ethiopian language became compulsory in high schools and if you do not pass the Amharic language in exams the chances to go to University was void and nil for Eritreans at the time. In addition Ethiopian rulers continued to violate UN resolution on Federation, tried to devitalize Eritrean economy in order to break organized Unions, intimidated members of Eritrean Parliament, illegally abolished the federation and annexed Eritrea as another province of Ethiopia and there was no any reaction from the UN at the time.

The above mentioned of catalogue of human rights abuse against Eritreans was the beginning. In the late 60<sup>th</sup> and early 70<sup>th</sup> the killing and torture by Ethiopian soldiers began in earnest, that any one who was showing any sign of opposition to the Ethiopian rule was murder. For instance in Hirgigo, Hazomo, Keren, Elaberet, Barka about 10.000 civilians elderly, young, children, were physically killed or tortured to death, men's throat was slit in front of their wives and children, up to 100.000 animals Cattle s, Camels were slaughtered with Machine-gun and knives or burning them alive. Camels were also seen by the Ethiopian army for being used or vital for transport, for the Eritrean revolution and were the main target by Ethiopian troops. Buildings, Mosques including those sheltering in them were killed or set alight, anti personal weapon of mass destruction was used against civilians. In Asmara in 1975 many students were strangled to death using Piano strings and their bodies dumped in the street. Patients were drugged from Hospital beds to be killed. Suspects civilians in support of the Eritrean revolution were publicly executed by hanging and family members were forced to attend executions and see their children cut to peace s. At times parents of the slain were forced by the Ethiopian army to un-hung their dead and take them home with them. In 1988 about 400 mostly women and children were crushed to death by Tanks in the village of Sheib and cut down. Ariel attack and cluster bombs were used through out the conflict. Thus crime against humanity by past Ethiopian rulers against the people of Eritrea has been recorded and seem to be continuing to the present day.

The main point that need to be realized here is that the minority government of Ethiopia lead by TPLF of Tigrai also committed worst crimes against humanity on the people of Eritrea with vengeance. When the border dispute between the two countries erupted in May 1998 all hell on earth was unleashed against the people of Eritrea when the minority government of Ethiopia declared war on Eritrea in their Parliament in May 1998. The aims and objectives of their declaration of war was pure and simple to destroy Eritrea once and for ever and to make it another Somalia. It was a viscous and biggest war fought in Africa. It was David and Goliath war in which about 60.000 are believed to have died from both sides.. For Eritrea it was a war of survival as a new nation and for Ethiopian rulers it was another war of adventure to grab the whole of Eritrea and reverse the Eritrean revolution for good. The difference was that for us Eritreans we were fighting whole heartedly to preserve our new nation for Ethiopia rulers or soldiers they were fighting superficially as they knew Eritrea is not their country.

So once the border dispute of the two countries started crime against humanity on Eritreans started in earnest. Eritreans who lived in Ethiopia all their lives were suddenly told to leave the country by hook or crook. They were told that they are threat to the national security of Ethiopia and regardless of how long they lived in Ethiopia they were told to leave Ethiopia with out any delay. Their documents were stamped never to return again and about 80.000 Eritreans who lived and worked for decades in Ethiopia --legally contributing taxes to the development of the Ethiopian nation were expeled. The sudden expulsion announced by the Government of Ethiopia during the border disputed was one the worst crimes committed by the TPLF regime against the people of Eritrea. The ejection of Eritreans from Ethiopia was the darkest time in the Ethio Eritrea war of the borders,

but their hidden agenda was to take the whole of Eritrea. Otherwise border dispute does not lead to such a vicious war. It is not only that the crimes against Eritrean civilians during the border war continued unabated through out the two year war of attrition that up to the year 2000. Many elderly, disabled, professionals, business men/women, were apprehended and sent back with their pi jams herded into a kind of animal group into buses to wards the war front. In the border town where Ethiopian soldiers managed to penetrate they even took TIN ROOFS of all the houses they came across, money gold clothes, Door frames were removed to Tigrai only Stones were left and I am sure they would have taken them if they could. This has precisely happened in the hands of the occupying Ethiopian troops during the border conflict. Yet the international community was no where to be seen and the so called Human rights advocates did very little to address the crime that was happening to Eritreans.

That Mothers were grabbed from their children during their apprehension, children snatched off from their mothers breast, some women even left children behind with out any one looking after them, many mothers suffered mental break down, for leaving their children behind, some were left locked in a house with out any one tending them, some mothers were tricked into believing that they will return home in few minutes but were herded on to a Bus without having to say good by to their loved once. Owners of garages, hotels, shops, and other unlicensed, establishments were forced to leave their business. It was the worst crime against humanity that happened to the people of Eritrea by the Minority Government of Ethiopia the TPLF leadership. For the minority government of Ethiopia the forceful removal of Eritreans from Ethiopia created gold rush and their supporters were able to benefit from the spoils of the border war at the expense of Eritreans. As it is commonly said some once lose is others gain, that the abandoned property of Eritreans were looted expropriated by the ruling party the Tigreans.

Faced with the ultimatum the law abiding Eritrean citizen had no choice as they were taken from their home one by one in the middle of the night driven to the border by coaches and left at the border to walk on foot to Eritrea. For those few Eritreans who managed to avoid expulsion they were sheltered in safe place **thanks to the Oromos and Amharas** that they have saved many Eritrean lives from the cruel policy that was carried out by the Minority Government of Ethiopia. The expulsion of Eritreans from Ethiopia was an indelible evidence that crimes against humanity was committed by Ethiopian authorities against Eritreans in Ethiopia and inside Eritrea and it was done on Industrial scale that will not be forgotten easily by Eritreans..

Also until recently the minority government of Ethiopia was harassing and discriminating against Eritreans visiting Addis Ababa and were making relentless efforts to humiliate them. For example Eritreans who go to visit Ethiopia including the younger generation were facing traumatic experience when they are forced to be, finger printed by hook or crook, suspected as being subversive elements because of the colour of their eyes. Even Ethiopian opposition leaders like Andergachew Tsege known as Andy (retained British passport of Ethiopian origin)a human rights defender and Secretary General of the Ginbot 7 Movement, an outspoken critic of the regime in Ethiopia, was sentenced to death in absentia in 2009 while he was living in London. But in 2014 he

decided to travel from London to Eritrea via Dubai. While on transit he was seized at Airport in the Yemeni capital Sana, and was handed over by the Yemeni Police to Ethiopian security Service who flew him to Ethiopia to face torture. Andaregachew was a leading figure in the Ethiopian opposition and that is why he was kidnapped from an international airport by Ethiopian security services called the Agazi on 23 June 2014 on transit to Eritrea. He has been languishing in jail for four years for being critic of Ethiopia regime and his connection with Eritrea because the colour of his eyes resembles to that of many Eritreans. But now news has come that he has been released from prison under reforms brought forward by new Ethiopian prime minister Abiye Ahmed. Through out his detention his Islington North MP Jeremy Corbin who said that his his detention amounts to International Kidnapping has been working hard for his release. Therefore crime against humanity on the people of Eritrea and Ethiopian friends of Eritrea has been happening. but under the new leadership of the new Ethiopian Premier Dr Abeye Ahmed it is hoped it will stop and new relationship are a foot to open diplomatic relations in the coming Months for the two countries.

## Part (3) Allegation of Crime against humanity by UN commission of Inquiry on Eritrea:

Having given examples of crimes against humanity on an industrial scale, the UN commission of inquiry is stressing that crimes against humanity is happening in Eritrea with out providing any shred of evidence. Is this another "Weapon of mass deception without thorough investigation" to demonise the Eritrea nation?. The writer will therefore analyse some of the points raised by the UN report on Eritrea and provide a common-sense conclusion - refuting their allegation. The first UN commission of inquiry was established in 2014 and its first report was made in June 2015, however the methodology used was flawed.

(A) The methodology: As will be explained below, the methodology used by Sheila and her team was flawed, less credible, unrepresentative, politicized, imperfect, distorted, inaccurate and lacks objectivity - .showing fundamental weakness. If we read between the lines the information gathered was purely designed to fit Sheila's preconceived agenda to tame the Eritrea nation. The report did not follow the principles of research investigation. That it failed to use applied statistics of human research, surveys, sampling individual units from wider population. The process used to collect the information and data for the purpose of the inquiry is biased against the government of Eritrea. The information applied to understanding the problem, does not allow the reader to critically evaluate the report and does not help us understand the process not just the product of the research because all the research is complied from the arch enemies of Eritrea. It also failed to widen the investigation among Eritreans including the diaspora and concerned bodies like Non Governmental organizations Embassies in Eritrea and around neighbouring countries. It failed in its purpose of making informed decision rationally and it failed to make the scope-of a particular discipline as the report was short sighted, shallow - lacking credibility.

(B) Credibility: when the UN report was 1<sup>st</sup> published it was sensationalized quickly, disseminated by the media and accepted as truth. Many Journalists took it for granted with out

fundamentally checking the report chewing it like khat (an east African drug) and still remained high thanks to the Minority Government of Ethiopia lead by TPLF and its lobbyists around the world. The report was politicized to achieve pre planned ideas to weaken isolate Eritrea with negative reporting while lacking believability. In the report it said the Government of Eritrea has created a repressive system in which people are routinely arrested, at whim, raped, enforced disappearance detained, persecuted tortured, killed or going missing since 1991 so they say, with out providing any proof except circumstantial evidence. It also alleges that about 5.000 Eritreans are fleeing the country per calendar month. But if we look into the flight of Eritrean youth it is no secret. The exodus of Eritrean youth in which majority of them are in fact economic migrants and not civil war refugees like that of Syria, Iraq or Afghanistan do not meet the definition of crimes against humanity.

After all, half of those who claim to be Eritreans are in fact Ethiopians speaking Amharic or masquerading as Eritreans or Tigraians from Northern Ethiopia who speak Tigrina but the Tigrina they speak has different accent from that spoken in Eritrea. What need to be remembered here is that in Eritrea the official Languages are Tigrina and Arabic. Amharic is the official language of Ethiopia. The Amharic language has not been spoken in Eritrea in the last 27 years and do not exist in the Eritrean curriculum - to claim other wise - is simply phoney.

Therefore the UN Commission of Inquiry and Eritrean Human Rights activists and others should get this in their head. All those who claim as Eritreans are not necessary Eritreans, they are using the Eritrean card to get asylum because they know if they use the Eritrean card their case would be looked at sympathetically and would be granted full refugee status, when they have never been nor visited Eritrea in their entire lives. The Amharic speakers or the Tigreans from Northern Ethiopia have been living peacefully in Ethiopia despite their claim that they were born in Eritrea but taken to Ethiopia when they were three years old - their story simply does not add up and they are Ethiopians and can not be Eritreans. Therefore they do not have valid asylum claim as Eritreans. Presently it looks like the British Government is simply taking Ethiopians as Eritreans when their Ambassador in Eritrea knows full well that in Eritrea no one speaks Amharic and even those who were expelled from Ethiopia in 1998 can speak fluent Eritrean language TIGRINYA. Nowadays however even unborn Eritrean child can now claim asylum while they are in their mothers womb, because the unborn child can allege via their mother that he/she will be sent to the Eritrean national service after their 18th birthday and would still be be lived. What a mockery – the asylum system now is being misused, abused as it has lost its track.

In addition the UN commission of inquiry report describing the exodus of Eritrean youth from their country, is also not credible because majority-of them are economic migrants and not civil war refugees. If Eritrean youth were given job opportunity, university education, few years of National Service, Eritrean youth would not live their country. Presently they are doing so not because they dislike their nation, they simply want to improve their job opportunity, better family life and even those who already asked for asylum in Europe are still in support of their nation - after all it was they, the Eritrean youth who saved Eritrea from the savage invasion of of the TPLF regime of

Ethiopia against the Eritrean nation. We also need to remember that when it comes to Eritrean youth in Europe or America the Commission of Inquiry knows that Western countries have been intentionally entertaining Ethiopian refugees as Eritreans, otherwise they could have employed language experts to identify who is Eritrean and who is Ethiopian as they do with other nationalities. But it looks like a deliberate strategy to empty Eritrea of its youth so vested interests can play the role of King maker to make Eritrea ungovernable. What is even strange is that when it come to other nationalities like Libyans/ Egyptians/or Algerians pretending to be Syrians, the British government would extendedly question their dialect by bringing Home Office language experts from the country they claim to have come. Thus dialect or language spoken by any asylum seeker is verified exhaustively and many of them have their nationality disputed and their asylum automatically refused. When it comes to Eritrean and Ethiopian asylum seekers the British government have so far did not take it seriously as they seem to love Ethiopian refugees pretending to be Eritreans and have been granting them full refugee status in their droves.

The UN Commission of Inquiry second report was also produced in June 2016 but it was the same report as the previous one disguised with new information claiming there are many things happening behind the walls of Asmara. To me their report is not honorable, it did not address the real causes why Eritreans are fleeing their country besides the national service. For the UN rapporteurs to bring such allegation against Eritrea is exaggerated the least to say and can not provide facts. The objective of their report all alone was to Isolate, Eritrea using UN sanctions to drag Eritrea into instability. That is why their report has been less credible in its analysis - less convincing the way their information is collated, and in short it is shallow and unrepresentative.

(C) Unrepresentative: Having looked at their report thoroughly it can also be said confidently that the Commission of inquiry report is unrepresentative for so many reasons. Because they pick and chose those who they wanted to interview. Most of their finding was based on information given under duress, that their interview of Eritrean Refugee in Tigrai region is flawed as they are under the control of the minority government of Ethiopia. The Eritreans in Tigrai Ethiopia are coached by the regime in Ethiopia. Any one interviewed in these refugee camps can only say he/she are dissatisfied with their country and need to tell the interviewers what they want to hear. That is to bash the Eritrean government right left and centre, even if they have not been in the National service. They will have to say they have been tortured or they will be killed if they return home, or they can say their parents are killed, when they speak to them on their mobile phones every evening. In short they have to say the un-sayable thereby becoming compromised witnesses to say the least. The UN Rapporteurs also interviewed Eritrean Refugees in Djibouti again another Satellite state of Ethiopia and you can not expect any Eritrean in either Ethiopia in Djibouti or Somalia to say things independently for fear that Ethiopian officials would put them in jail for good. The UN rapporteurs report is very flawed and weak in substance because their research is very narrow one sided and what they could have done was widen their fact finding research on Eritrea to that of the Danish Immigration Service findings on Eritrean asylum seekers seekers entitled Eritrea -Drivers and Root causes of Emigration, National service and the

**possibility of Return published in November 2014.** What was interesting about the Danish report is that it is comprehensive, thorough, well researched material, and those who carried out the investigation stayed two weeks in Eritrea. The good thing about their report was that they interviewed European Ambassadors in Eritrea, Non Governmental Organizations (NGOS) Eritrean Refugees in Ethiopia, Sudan and consulted Eritrean Diaspora including the opposition.

The UN report does not represent participation of all the stakeholders as it did not bother to ask European Union Ambassadors in Asmara. They never bothered to ask Non Governmental organizations, in Eritrea, they never bother to interview European Ambassadors in Addis Abba, they never visited the Refugee Camp in Sudan and the assumption is that Sudan is a friendly country with Eritrea. They disregarded reports of UN agencies in Eritrea like United Nations Development Pro gramme resident Director Miss Christine Umutoni, who said that Eritrea has been successful due to its community participation, self reliance approach with its capacity to adapt to adverse circumstances. The Mining companies in Eritrea and their employees were not interviewed, they did not interview Eritrean intellectuals as well as representatives of the Eritrean Government. While dismissing the destabilization role played by the minority government of Ethiopia under TPLF leadership to undermine Eritrea. The only thing they did was to interview either Eritreans who have come recently from Eritrea to Europe to seek asylum, or interview opposition groups who are providing unreliable information. For these reasons what the *UN rapporteurs should understand* is that even though the Eritrean opposition give the impression they are champions of the Eritrean diaspora - every Eritrean knows them, they are champions of their own pockets and have done very little to offer the people of Eritrea as they are morally bankrupt and intellectually inept with out any vision. That is why the commission of inquiry report on Eritrea is handicapped and not believable because all their information is gathered from the so called Eritrean opposition and the Ethiopian government under TPLF leadership.

Thus in the absence of any credible research from the Commission of Inquiry on Eritrea, the Danish Report remains tall, comprehensive, analytical and reflects the true picture of Eritrean Migration. Where as the report carried out by Sheila Keetharuth—and her colleagues have not conducted thorough research and have not spent time in Eritrea to find out the cause of Eritrean Migration. They have solely depend for most of their information from second hand or third hand information mainly by Eritrean detractors whose numbers now exceed more than 30 Organizations. Or by the self appointed Eritrea Human Rights activities whose aim and objectives has been to bring regime changes so that they can be driven on Ethiopian Tanks to Eritrea not to benefit the people of Eritrea but to benefit themselves. (And that is why the Eritrean opposition had its public meeting on 23 June 2018 at Hargrave Hall Community Center in Arch way London and the aims and objective of their meeting was to Extend the Commission of Inquiry on Human Rights in Eritrea - what they don't know was that their boss was already sacked). Therefore the UN report on Eritrea lacks integrity, hence not fit for a purpose as the flight of Eritrean youth from Eritrea is more for economic reasons than politics of the country. Ask any Eritrean diaspora majority of them would say if they were offered job opportunities university education shorter national service they would

tell you that they would stay in their country. But we should also remember their human beings and have relatives around Europe America who can help them financially and once in Europe they can easily be granted status as Western governments work very closely with the TPLF lead government of Ethiopia. In short the UN report alleging crimes against humanity on Eritrea does not meet the threshold of Crime against humanity on **Industrial scale** because it has been politicized in order to appease TPLF leaders of Ethiopia who are illegally occupying sovereign Eritrean territory and committing sanction genocide on the people of Eritrea on false premise - for almost 20 years by politicizing the Eritrean issue to serve their own end..

(D) Politicization the Eritrean case:: We need to remember that crimes against humanity or human rights abuses are often politicized and the major powers use them to frame or bully small nations and protect their allies even if they themselves committed these same crimes. For instance, in a brilliant book called Prisoners of Geography, the author Tim Marshal states that, the US for instance, might be outraged at human right abuses in Syria (hostile country) but turn a blind eye to similar human rights abuses in Bahrain or Saudi Arabia as they are allies. Other powers do the same such as Russia, they overlook the crime against humanity committed by the Syrian regime such as using nerve agents to kill its own people. Rebels and terrorists who came from other countries mainly financed by wealthy Arab nations are fighting in Syria when they have nothing to do in Syria except to promote their Islamic crusade. They have committed crime against humanity in Syria including eating the hearts and lungs of Syrian soldiers. Yet they are still committing crimes against humanity on the people of Syria but no one said much, as the civil war in Syria is fought on proxy war by others and the Syrian war is a good example how the war in Syria has been politicized by outside forces.

Another example is the war in Yemen where crime against humanity is committed by Arab coalition forces led by Saudi Arabia but no one is able to say crime against humanity is happening in that country because the US and Britain are selling billions worth of armaments to Saudi Arabia and to the UN recognized government of Yemen. However they are keeping blind eye to the tragedy and plight of the people of Yemen. The Hutis on the other hand have grievances against the central government and they should have come to terms with their fellow Yemenis. But the war they are fighting is also politicized as they are supported by Shia Iran thereby exacerbating the war. What is not surprising is that the UN can sometime be forthcoming in labeling Crime against humanity against countries like Eritrea with out any evidence. But they will never dare bring Crime against humanity against Britain under Tony Blair and the United States of America under George Bush for committing crimes against humanity on the people of Iraqi. They fabricating Weapons of mass destruction against the Iraqi nation and the leaders of the two countries will not be prosecuted because they reach and powerful and the Security Council is under their control. The reason is simple they will not be prosecuted for the wars they themselves fabricated to dismember Iraq using false premise, but poor nations like Eritrea would be hanged to dry for any small errors they make in their journey to maturity by the UN institutions.

Talking about UN institutions Carne Rose former UK diplomat who was an expert on Middle East,

now head of an advisory group of independent diplomats, writing in the Guardian on Friday 11 March 2016 said "he spent four and half years in the Security Council and never saw any good reason why most of its deliberations should remain closed to public scrutiny, he adds in saying that the Security Council may have more public meetings than ever but the reality is that majority of its substantive negotiations are conducted in private and then bring it to the Security council meeting to be rubber-stamped" The selection of UN rapporteurs on Eritrea lead by Sheila Keetharuth on Eritrea was precisely done in such a corrupt way by Susan Rice former US Ambassador to the UN who had an axe to grind against the Eritrean nation in collaboration with the late Ethiopia leader Meles Zenawi. Their ultimate objective was to suffocate Eritrea for regime change.

News papers here in the UK also follow the political line of the establishment. For example the Guardian in September 09 and 11/2016, and the Observer on Sunday 15th of June 2016 blindly accepted the UN commission of Inquiry report on Eritrea in full with out any scrutiny. What these News papers should have done was to expose Ethiopians refusal to abide by International law in prolonging the no war no peace situation between the two countries. If Western politicians told Ethiopia to abide by the final and binding Algiers Agreement of 2000 peace between the two countries would have prevailed. The only News Paper that came out clearly to blame Ethiopia for the stand-off between the two countries for almost two decades was the Financial Times in its editorial on Tuesday 12 June 2018, It said "Ethiopia has flouted the ruling of the International Arbitration. It went on to say the Guarantors of peace, the UN, African Union, European Union and US all shrugged shoulders and neglected to hold the Ethiopian government to its commitments. In effect it said they chose convenience over the law and sided with the more powerful regional actor – Ethiopia".

It was quite a breath of fresh air for Financial Times News paper to come out openly to blame Ethiopia for the no war no peace situation. Nonetheless the recent developments between Eritrea and Ethiopia are very encouraging since the new Ethiopian Premier said he will accept the Algiers agreement in full with out any ifs and buts -and has now brought a ray of hope for the people of the region to live in peace. Therefore Crime against humanity brought upon Eritrea is politically motivated. because genocide, torture mass murder, has not happened on **Industrial scale in Eritrea it was invented by the enemies of Eritrea. As the Americans fabricated weapon of mass destruction against Iraq.** The UN report produced by UN rapporteurs on Eritrea by Sheila is identical to what Colin Powell did during the Bush administration when he waved a small glass tube with white powder in it and told the UN security Council that his administration has found evidence that Saddam was maintained weapons of Mass destruction. In hindsight the allegation served its purpose - in real politics however it was pure fabricated mass deception that destroyed a nation..

When it comes to the Eritrean case the UN rapporteurs overstated their report, they have not shown impartiality, they have not shown their independent, their report was not transparent, its sources is not shared by other states, it is considered classified evidence in order to to protect its sources, their report does not give break down of age gender, nationality and it is riddled with errors, it was not

objective, it was one sided and the rapporteurs have convinced themselves that Eritrea is a guilty nation with out producing a report that reflects the true picture of Eritrea on the ground. It is not surprising from the start, the UN reports sole purpose was to gather any flimsy information they can gather in order to incriminate the Government of Eritrea. But they will fail as they deliberately ignored the main stumbling block to peace between Eritrea and Ethiopia which is the border dispute. We should also remember that Mike Smith and Sheila keetharuth are not neutral because of their past association with anti Eritrean opposition Groups and the sanction committee means, their report has an adverse effect on Eritreans to flee their country. There is no doubt it is a political vendetta against the government of Eritrea in encouraging Eritrean youth to flee their country but their plot like any other plots will fail flat on its face..

(E) <u>Fuelling Migration</u>: As a result of the UN Commission of inquiry on Eritrea their report is now encouraging Eritreans not only from Eritrea but from the whole Middle East, Africa, Israel, Europe to apply for asylum since their case will be looked at sympathetically by any European country. Obviously in order to take advantage of the asylum system in Europe, Eritreans or Ethiopians pretending to be Eritreans are still taking the risky journey paying thousands of dollars to come here. Oddly enough even those who have lived in Europe for many years or some who have status in other European countries but **NOT FINGER PRINTED BEFORE** are clandestinely moving to different countries of European of their choice. Some are coming via Calais choosing England as their choice and once refugees or asylum enters the UK the Government rarely returns refused asylum seekers to their country of origin except few who have committed crime in UK soil. Therefore the Commissions report has become a magnet and even young children are taking risky journey to come to Europe with the belief that the Commission of Enquiry report will help them to get status once they land in Europe.

Its effect has caused exodus of Eritreans from around the World to Europe and America. But Western governments are also to blame instead of having a coherent policy towards economic migrants and refugees they colluded with Ethiopia portraying Eritrea youth as persecuted than to define them as economic migrant. That is why we had an influx of Eritreans to Europe because of the failure of European policy makers who have always looked into their interest creating wars around the world and refugees are forced to flee their country seeking refuge in the countries who fabricated wars. The Eritrea case was therefore politicized beyond reasonable doubt making the Eritrean migration issue top of their agenda prioritizing it before that of Syrian. At least in Syria there is a civil war, there is proxy war fought by America, Middle Eastern countries and Russia supporting the Assad regime. In Eritrea there is no war, it is a peaceful country.

One thing that need to remembered here is that Eritrea is not Syria, Asmara the Eritrean capital, is not Damascus, there is no war in Eritrea there is no destruction, Eritrea is one of the most peaceful countries in the world.

Conclusion: When it comes to crimes against humanity, we should not lose sight of what happened to the people of Iraq when they were invaded under the pretext of weapons of mass destruction. That the country was obliterated to dust using shock and awe military tactics. Many Iraqi civilians were tortured to death, sexually abused and thousands of babies were born with deformities due to the depleted uranium left behind by the Americans and their allies. We should not lose sight of the crimes against humanity that are happening on our television screens by the Israeli Defence Forces against Palestinians in occupied Palestine. While the mass media are supposed to expose such crimes to the outside world, it has now become complicit in blacking out any news from the West Bank and Gazza strip as hundreds have now been killed and thousands injured. We should not lose sight of the crimes that are happening in Syria where government forces and Islamic terrorists have been using chemical agents to kill innocent civilians.

For the above mentioned reasons it can reasonably be said that the UN as an international organization or its staff like UN rapporteurs on Eritrea, seem to be losing their moral high ground making the organization and the people who work for it - ethically bankrupt and politically impotent. To an extent, the UN report is exaggerated. while the UN treat Human Right abusers as legitimate members of world community, allowing them to operate with impunity without any challenge, permitting them to routinely make a mockery of the very values the UN pledges to uphold. While treating the rich, the powerful and the tyrants as legitimate players on the global order.

When it comes to countries like Eritrea the UN or UN rapporteurs suddenly become hyperactive and label them as human rights abusers and consider them as illegitimate players on the international stage, as Eritrea does not posses the black gold and that is why the UN report on Eritrea was politically motivated, that is why it has been rushed into another flawed conclusion. Therefore the question that needs to be asked here is that, are the UN rapporteurs telling us crimes against humanity in Eritrea has occurred on Industrial Scale? Like that of the Apartheid in South Africa, the genocide in Rwanda, the ethnic cleansing in former Yugoslavia, or occupied West Bank and Gaza. Or have the UN rapporteurs found mass graves like that in Mosul (Iraq) left by ISIS terrorists. Or have they found mass graves of dead Eritreans behind the walls of Asmara. The only evidence they have established are circumstantial evidence that cannot stand up in front of any court and the UN report is simply an extension of the injustice against the people of Eritrea.

So taking into consideration the UN report on Eritrea, the crimes against humanity stated in the report do not match the crimes against humanity that happened in the countries mentioned above. Yes during the border war dispute between Eritrea and Ethiopia, individual Eritrean army officers may have taken the law into their hands when punishing other Eritrean soldiers. At the time, it should be understood that Eritrea was fighting for its survival as a nation because the Ethiopian regime declared war on Eritrea. For these reasons the UN report has insufficient evidence to make Eritrea guilty, it bears the whole mark of misconceived research designed to further isolate the Eritrean nation, its ultimate goal all along was to enforce regime change in the long run. And that is why I call the commission of inquiry report on Eritrea as the mother of all weapons of mass deception without thorough investigation and that is why Shelia Keethruth was replaced and the rest of her team will follow suit. As events between Eritrea and Ethiopia have taken a historic turn when the Ethiopian PM Abiy Ahmed made a landmark visit to the Eritrean capital Asmara (Sunday 8th July 2018) it can only be described as a watershed moment for the politics of the two nations and the rebirth of the Eritrean Nation. In addition, in light of the friendship between the two nations, the UN's sanctions against Eritrea (instigated by

# Ethiopia) will soon be lifted.

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