

Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam's Parliamentary Sitting Begins in Germany

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Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam's (TGTE) 2nd Parliamentary term's Third sitting begins in Germany on May 22nd and will continue until May 24th.

Several international dignitaries are attending and will speak during the opening Session.

TGTE Members of Parliament from around the world along with TGTE Members of the Senate are convening to discuss issues of importance to Eelam Tamils.

The Speaker of the TGTE Parliament Mr. Thaventhra Raja will inaugurate the Session and will Chair the debate on the Resolutions submitted by the Members of Parliament.

The progress of TGTE's Million signature campaign "Refer Sri Lanka to International Criminal Court (ICC)" will be reported to the Parliament for discussion. This Campaign can be accessed through: www.tgte-icc.org

Another Resolution to be discussed is about the importance of holding a Referendum among Eelam Tamils to find their wishes through a democratic process.

This sitting follows worldwide memorial events to remember tens of thousands of Tamils who were killed by the Sri Lankan security forces in the final months of the war that ended in 2009.

A former United States Attorney General Mr. Ramsey Clark gave the inaugural "Mullivaikal Memorial Lecture" in New York on May 18th, the Day of Mourning of the Tamil nation.

The Parliamentary sitting will be broadcast-live at: <http://www.tgte-homeland.org/>

ABOUT TRANSNATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL EELAM (TGTE):

Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE) is a democratically elected Government of a million strong Eelam Tamils (from the island of Sri Lanka) living in several countries around the world. TGTE was formed after the mass killing of Tamils by the Sri Lankan Government in 2009.



TGTE held internationally supervised elections among Eelam Tamils around the world to elect 132 Members of Parliament. It has a bicameral legislature and a Cabinet. It held one of its Parliamentary sittings in the British Parliament.

TGTE is leading a campaign to realize Tamils' political aspirations through peaceful, democratic and diplomatic means. The Constitution of the TGTE mandates that it should realize its political objective only through peaceful means.

The Prime Minister of TGTE is Mr. Visuvanathan Rudrakumaran, a New York based lawyer.

BACKGROUND:

According to UN internal review report on Sri Lanka, over 70,000 Tamils were killed in five months in early 2009 and Tamil women were sexually assaulted and raped by the Sri Lankan Security forces. There are over 90,000 Tamil war widows in Sri Lanka and thousands of Tamils have disappeared during the conflict.

A Buddhist Monk shot and killed a Sri Lankan Prime Minister in 1959 for having dialogue with Tamil political leaders. According to some estimates, Tamil areas have the highest concentration of security forces in the world (for every five Tamil civilian there is one soldier).

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