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Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam's (TGTE) 8th Sitting of its 2nd Parliament will be held from January 19th to 21st in Toronto, Canada. The Sitting will be Live Streamed.

TGTE Members of Parliament from around the world along with TGTE Members of the Senate, Advisory Committee, Ethics Commission, and Election Commission, will be attending.

It is expected that there will be a discussion on the impact of the upcoming local government elections and the Sri Lankan Government's Interim Constitutional proposal on the Tamil national struggle to realize right to selfdetermination and to secure remedial justice.



Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE)

TGTE Cabinet Ministers will submit their reports about the progress of their respective ministries to the Parliament for discussion and approval. TGTE's annual budget will also be submitted to the Parliament.

Discussions will be also held about bringing legal actions under Universal Jurisdiction in various domestic judicial tribunals.

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Announcement in Tamil: http://www.tamilwin.com/community/01/171299

** NOTE: The Session will be LIVE-STREAMED from Friday (19th) morning to Sunday (21st) afternoon (CANADA TIME).

** LINK: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nYP1-w6YM74&feature

ABOUT TRANSNATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL EELAM (TGTE):

Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE) is a democratically elected Government of a million strong 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 twice held internationally supervised elections among Tamils around the world to elect 132 Members of Parliament. It has two champers of Parliament: The House of Representatives and Senate and a Cabinet. It held its Parliamentary sittings among other places in the British and French Parliaments.

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.

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BACKGROUND:

Tamils in the island of Sri Lanka faced repeated mass killings in 1958, 1977, and 1983 and the mass killings in 2009 prompted UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon to appoint a Panel of Experts to report on the scale of the killings.

According to UN internal review report on Sri Lanka, over 70,000 Tamils were killed in six 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 and thousands of Tamils disappeared due the conflict.

According to this UN report, the killings and other abuses that took place amount to war crimes and crimes against humanity. Independent experts believe that there are elements of these abuses that constitute an act of genocide.

Members of the Sri Lankan security forces are almost exclusively from the Sinhalese community and the victims are all from the Tamil community. A Buddhist Monk shot and killed a Sri Lankan Prime Minister 1959 for having talks with Tamils.

Tamils overwhelmingly voted in a Parliamentary election in 1977 to establish an independent and sovereign country called Tamil Eelam. This Parliamentary election was conducted by the Sri Lankan Government.

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