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Subject: Questions after the visit to Tigray of the EU envoy

Following all the pressure from the global community and in the light of the need to scale up of assistance, the Ethiopian government has reported that it is providing access to humanitarian organisations.

Moreover, the presence of Eritrean soldiers in the Tigray region had also been creating more tension until the Ethiopian government consulted the Eritrean government about the withdrawal of its soldiers.

Tension with neighboring Sudan has also mounted following an accusation that Ethiopia was supporting gangs that target Sudanese territory, and because of disagreement about the use of Nile after the construction of the Grand Renaissance Dam.

Furthermore, internally displaced persons (IDPs) and refugees from Ethiopia continue to flee to Sudan. This migration and tension could also affect the entire Horn of Africa region.

1. Although the war has not been halted, what progress has been made in the Tigray region, and how is the international community providing support to finding peaceful solutions there?
2. Is there a glimmer of hope that there will be an end to the war and to the reported violations of human rights and international humanitarian law?