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## **Letter of Condolences**

I learned of Bo Bjelfvenstam's passing with great regret. Bo was a journalist of exceptional quality and character. His journalistic professionalism was combined with profound

humanity and remarkable moral integrity. He silently bore the struggles of the oppressed wherever they were, standing as a steadfast advocate for freedom and democracy. Bo was particularly sensitive to the challenges faced by oppressed peoples, showing solidarity with them, especially in Eritrea. He was a great friend to the Eritrean people, particularly to the Eritrean Liberation Front (ELF).



During a time when the outside world and public opinion often overlooked our liberation struggle, he was one of the few journalists committed to bringing attention to our plight. Between 1974 and 1983, through his visits to the areas liberated by the ELF, he produced powerful documentaries and films that captured the essence of our national liberation struggle in Eritrea.

My first meeting with Bo occurred in 1974 at the Hospital Center in Debresala. On that occasion, I had the honor of getting to know him and came to appreciate his remarkable human qualities. Over the following years, my respect for him only grew stronger. He was a noble descendant of the Vikings.

He was an active member of the Swedish Eritrean Group, a distinguished organization dedicated to solidarity with the Eritrean people. This group provided humanitarian assistance and played a significant role in political advocacy, information dissemination, and diplomacy. His invaluable contributions to our cause will be remembered in the history of our struggle for national liberation, as well as that of the Eritrean people and our organization.

Our sincere condolences go out to his family, companions, and friends.

Pax animae eius (peace to his soul).

Dr. Yusuf Berhanu Chairman, ENSF