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## KUWAIT VOWS TO VIOLATE HUMAN RIGHTS OF ETHIOPIAN WOMEN

**FOLLOWING the killing of a Kuwaiti girl from a wealthy family by an Ethiopian maid, Kuwaiti lawmakers have in their majority called not only for the execution of the maid but for the deportation of thousands of maids and the banning of any maids from Ethiopia in the future. The lawmakers of Kuwait underlined their decision with racist references to alleged tendency to be violent by the Ethiopians.**

**On record, alleged killing by Ethiopian maids in Kuwait is around 11. On record, the number of Ethiopian maids killed, maimed, driven mad, mutilated, subjected to organ harvesting is in the hundreds. Crude racism, rest denied exhaustive work, exploitation and physical beating have psychologically damaged many more. As previous events in Saudi Arabia, Lebanon and the UAE (not to mention Libya) have amply shown trafficked Ethiopian girls have been subjected to barbaric mistreatment. The regime in Addis Abeba, which benefits from the ill-disguised trafficking, has continued to send thousands of young Ethiopian girls to modern slavery. The Kuwaiti hue and cry is bad omen for Ethiopians in the country and world-wide protest should be expressed in earnest, as of now, not to repeat the Saudi type deportation crime against Ethiopians. The railroading and deportation of the Ethiopian maid, already brutalized to no end, should be given proper attention so as to protect her human rights under the law.**

**SOCEPP calls on Kuwait t to stop the racist and hate frenzy against helpless Ethiopian women in its territory.**

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