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Blessed Greetings Dir. Gray;

"To meet together, to take council with one another and to act in mutual cooperation, has proved a most fruitful method, both in secular and spiritual fields. Henceforth the way is open to follow this path..." (H.I.M. Emperor Haile Sellassie I)

"Glory to Word, Glory to Sound, Glory to Power; Glory to H.I.M. Emperor Haile Sellassie I!"

"All Praises unto the Most Blessed, Empress Menen Asfaw!"

Letter of Acknowledgement for Meeting dd. Monday, May 22nd 2017

We, the Executive Directors of the Ethio-Africa Diaspora Union Millennium Council / Ltd. *aka* Rastafari Millennium Council (RMC), do give thanks for the opportunity to meet and discuss with you, Sir, the matter that was raised in the letter from the JNHT dated **May 5th 2017** in response to our Letter of Objection **dd. February 22nd 2017** to the current Declaration, whose language suggested an Objection to the 6 Lots in the Declaration.

We do give thanks for the ability to clarify our position as our Objection and prior meeting with your office before submitting the Objection, spoke specifically to Governance related to the terms Monument vs Protected Heritage Site, and at no time has there been any objection to the recognition of 6 Lots. This is what the former Public Defender – Mr. Earl Witter since 2009, sought to clarify in his

letter on our behalf to the JNHT. If in fact the JNHT has determine that there is no deference within the declaration of 'National Monument' to that of a 'National Protected Heritage' as deemed a Protected Heritage Site, then the EADUMC will be insisting on the term 'National Protected Heritage'. Our Letter of Objection and supporting Documents submitted explained in detail why such a preference is necessary.

The records will show that it was due to the vigilance of the EADUMC and the JNHT that the previous declaration of 3 Lots which the Council had first objected to, has been researched to become 6 Lots with an additional Lot being added, due to the intervention of Hon. Minister O. Grange, to be used as a parking space making the overall declaration totaling 7 Lots! This we all had agreed to be realized as the First Phase with the Second Phase geared towards identifying other potential Sites.

We fully endorse your intervention to arrange an urgent meeting with the Hon. Minister of Culture, Gender, Entertainment, & Sports (MCGES) before the dates of the JNHT Tribunal (we do need the clarity if the Tribunal will be Public or Private) and moreso the annual celebration of Hon. L. P. Howell "Earth-strong" on June 16th to address the ownership and management concerns/policy of the Rastafari Heritage Site. This meeting, as we had stated in our Letter of Objection, will surround:

1. The the issue of the current declaration being a 'Monument' vs. the requested 'Protected Heritage';
2. The incorporation of the Rastafari Community Trust *via* the RTTF as an existing and necessary registered mechanism that must be included in the negotiations;
3. The scope of further negotiations with the Minister of Culture, Gender, Entertainment & Sport, Office of the Prime Minister, and the Ministry of Lands.

We look forward to the successful arrangement of the meeting with the Hon. Minister of the MCGES.

One Perfect Love!

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Ras Kremlin (Rudolph Bailey) Act. Chairman

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Prophet Greg (Robert Mogg)
Gen. Secretary

Cc. JNHT Tribunal

Mrs. Arlene Harrison Henry
Office of the Public Defender