

## **AEWNA Holds Successful Congress**

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The second Congress of the Association of Eritrean Women in North America (AEWNA) was successfully convened on August 20, 1978 in Washington, D. C. The Congress was attended by over 70 members from all parts of the U.S. and Canada. The Congress held its deliberations with the presentation of the report of the Central Committee of AEWNA, the various chapters and study groups and an eye witness report on the situation from two women delegates to the First Congress of the Association of Eritrean Students held in Keren, Eritrea. Vigorous discussions took place on the burning questions facing the Eritrean revolution, the danger of Soviet-led revisionism and the capitulationist line of the EPLF leadership.

The Congress, summing up the internal struggle waged by AEWNA and EFLNA against the erroneous line of the EPLF leadership, concluded correctly that the EPLF leadership has capitulated to Soviet-led revisionism and betrayed the struggle of the Eritrean people for national independence. It resolved to condemn the capitulationist leadership of EPLF and break off all organizational links with it. The AEWNA resolved to expose this capitulationist line of the "leaders" of the Eritrean revolution and uphold the revolutionary tradition of the fighting Eritrean masses to wage unrelenting struggle against all internal and external enemies of the Eritrean revolution, i.e. U.S.-led imperialism, Soviet-led revisionism, Zionism, the fascist Ethiopian occupationists and internal reactionaries. AEWNA resolved to continue its struggle under the guidance of EFLNA and unanimously passed the same political resolutions as EFLNA on all the major questions. It resolved to intensify the important task of raising the political consciousness of its members and their active participation in the struggle to expose the capitulationist EPLF leadership, and to organize and politicize Eritrean women based on a correct revolutionary line. With the successful conclusion of its Second Congress, AEWNA

emerged more determined to resolutely organize its ranks for continuing on the road of revolution and to mercilessly expose the treacheries of the EPLF capitulationists. Correctly concluding that the emancipation of Eritrean women cannot be brought about without the complete liberation of the entire Eritrean people from colonialism, imperialism, revisionism, and all reaction, AEWNA resolved to contribute its share in this protracted struggle.