

## **SEED CONDEMS 20<sup>TH</sup> CENTURY SLAVE TRADE**

Recently CNN International report exposed the Libyan migrant slave auction. This is the violation of the rights of African migrants who are unlawfully detained, abused, auctioned off as laborers and others killed to extract their organs for sale for profit in Libya.

SEED is shocked and outraged by the reports of the auctioning of African migrants in Libya and the unlawful detention of thousands of them, including pregnant women and children.

SEED can not let the calls for justice for these victims go unheard. People of the world need to act decisively to demand the Libyan Government eradicate the scourge of modern-day slavery, exploitation and forced labor, currently unfolding in front of our eyes.

SEED urges the international community and African Union to give priority in stopping this inhuman, heinous act, investigate and put an end to it.

7 December 2017 – The United Nations Security Council on Thursday condemned the slave trade of African migrants in Libya as “heinous human rights abuses which may also amount to crimes against humanity,” and called on those responsible to be held to account. The security council action is necessary but not sufficient to address the problem.

Society of Ethiopians in Diaspora strongly urge the Libyan government immediately to stop the practice of slave trade and free all the Africans to return to the of country of their choice.