Call your representative: the two-minute script

Expressions of concern have not stopped the strikes; elected officials can press their governments to. Offices log every call by topic, and a few dozen constituents on one issue in one week gets noticed. Adapt the bracketed parts, then call.

BEFORE YOU DIAL: FIND YOUR OFFICIAL

COUNTRY	WHO TO CALL AND WHAT TO ASK	FIND THEM
United States	Your Representative and both Senators: ask them to raise Tigray with the State Department and support an independent investigation and even-handed sanctions.	house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative · senate.gov/senators/senators-contact.htm
Canada	Your Member of Parliament: ask them to raise Tigray with Global Affairs Canada and the Minister of Foreign Affairs.	ourcommons.ca/members/en
United Kingdom	Your MP: ask them to write to the Foreign Secretary and table or sign a parliamentary question or motion.	members.parliament.uk/FindYourMP · writetothem.com
European Union	Your MEPs: ask them to press the EU's foreign service (EEAS) and support a European Parliament resolution.	europarl.europa.eu/meps/en/home
Australia	Your federal MP and Senators: ask them to raise Tigray with DFAT and the Foreign Minister.	electorate.aec.gov.au

THE SCRIPT (ABOUT 2 MINUTES)

Hello, my name is **[NAME]** and I'm a constituent from **[CITY / ZIP or POSTCODE]**. I'm calling about the renewed war in Tigray, Ethiopia.

Since August this year, Ethiopian federal drone and air strikes have hit a teachers' housing compound in Mekelle, Tigray's capital, schools, a camp for displaced people and a truck carrying food aid. Human Rights Watch says the Mekelle strike should be investigated as a possible war crime. Nearly four million people in Tigray needed emergency food aid before this fighting started, and aid was cut off for ten days. Eritrean troops are now reported inside northern Tigray. This comes after a year in which the federal government withheld Tigray's budget and stopped fuel and medicine deliveries; the 2022 peace agreement was never implemented.

I'm asking **[REPRESENTATIVE / SENATOR / MP NAME]** to do four things:

1. Publicly call for an immediate cessation of hostilities and an end to strikes on civilians and civilian infrastructure;
2. Press the Ethiopian government to restore telecommunications, banking, fuel, medicine and budget transfers to Tigray, and to allow unrestricted humanitarian access;
3. Support an independent international investigation into attacks on civilians by all parties, starting by backing the UN Human Rights Council special session on Ethiopia that 36 organizations, including Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch and Omna Tigray, requested on 8 October; and
4. Press for even-handed accountability, including for drone strikes on civilians, for the governments supplying the drones, and for Eritrean forces inside Tigray.

Will **[NAME]** make a public statement and raise this with **[the State Department / Global Affairs Canada / the Foreign Office / the EU's foreign service / DFAT]**? I'd appreciate a reply at **[EMAIL]**. Thank you.

AFTER YOU DIAL

- **Voicemail?** Leave the same message with your name and address.
- **Asked for your address?** Give it; it confirms you are a constituent and gets the call counted.
- **Keep it short and polite.** Staff log the topic and the ask; they rarely debate. If they ask a question you can't answer, say you'll follow up by email.
- **Call again next week.** Repeat calls on the same issue are what move an office. Ask three friends to call too, and follow up with the email template in Section 5 of the full toolkit.
- **If they ask for sources:** Human Rights Watch, 25 Sep 2026 (the Mekelle strike); UN Human Rights Office, 25 Sep 2026 (five schools hit in one day); UN OCHA, 9 Oct 2026 (the first aid convoy); the 36-organization letter to the UN Human Rights Council, 8 Oct 2026. All are linked in Section 12 of the full toolkit.