

Report from Minister of Defense for free military aid delivery to Ethiopia,

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TO THE PRIME MINISTER  
OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA  
COMRADE GRISHA FILIPOV

REPORT

from Army General Dobri Dzurov –Minister of people's defense

COMRADE FILIPOV,

A delegation from Ethiopia, led by the deputy Secretary General of the Interim military administrative council, and member of the Executive committee of the Commission for organizing a labor party in Ethiopia, Fiseha Desta, visited our country from 11 to 15 March this year. During his meeting with the Secretary General of the Central Committee of BCP and Chairman of the State council, Comrade Todor Zhivkov, and the member of Politburo of the Central Committee of BCP and Chairman of the Joint Bulgarian-Ethiopian commission, Comrade Pencho Kubadinski, he informed about the difficult situation in his country and the decisiveness of the Ethiopian people to defend their independence. He

requested assistance in delivery of armament and ammunitions to enhance the combat capabilities of the Ethiopian armed forces.

His request and our opportunities for help were coordinated with Comrade Pencho Kubadinski, the State planning committee, the Ministry of finance and the Ministry of foreign trade.

Regarding the request of the Ethiopian delegation, I propose that the Bureau of the Council of Ministers take the following

RESOLUTION:

1. To provide free of charge ammunitions at the amount of 1 million leva, including transportation expenses, according to the enclosed list.
2. The Ministry of foreign trade, respectively “Kintex” shall provide transportation of equipment to Ethiopia.
3. The Ministry of finance shall provide funding for transportation, including foreign currency.
4. The State planning commission and the Ministry of finance shall replenish financial recourses to the Ministry of defense.

Enclosure: List of equipment to be delivered to Ethiopia

MINISTER OF PEOPLE’S DEFENSE

ARMY GENERAL

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