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CFR. MIDNIGHT TALK WITH THREE NORWEGIAN WOMEN DEC. 20, 1987.
BOOK NOW BEING WRITTEN WITH FOCUS ON WOMEN, BUT WITH INTRODUCTION
ON POLITICAL HISTORY.
YOUR ANSWER TO FOLLOWING QUESTION IS MEANT TO BE THE FINAL SEQUENCE
IN A CHAPTER ON CHALLENGES OF NATION-BUILDING IN A MULTI-CULTURAL
SOCIETY WITH HISTORY OF CIVIL WAR, STRATEGIC WITHDRAWAL WHEN VICTORY
SEEMED CLOSE, ETHIOPIAN ATTEMPTS TO DIVIDE THE PEOPLE ETC.

QUESTION 1)

ARE YOU TODAY A STRONG ENOUGH NATION WITHIN THE ERITREAN STATE - STRONG ENOUGH TO WIN THE PEACE NOW IF IT CAME TOMORROW?

(The book format would ask for a maximum 10 - 15 line answer).

QUESTION 2)(not connected to the former)
THE NUMBER 30 000 IS NOW BEING ESTABLISHED IN WESTERN PRESS AS THE
AMOUNT OF EPLF FIGHTERS INSIDE ERITREA. HOW DO YOU REACT ON THAT
GAINING STATUS AS A "FACT"?

THANK YOU.

SINCERELY, INGEBORG ELIASSEN