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ADDIS ABABA, November 17 (Xinhuanet) -- A total of 312 Eritreans left Ethiopia on Saturday for home under the auspices of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), the ICRC said in a press release here.

The operation took place between the Eritrean town of Adi Quala and the Ethiopian town of Rama via the Mereb river, the ICRC said.

Ahead of the repatriation, the ICRC delegates in Ethiopia held private interviews with the Eritrean nationals to check their wish to return to their motherland.

This is the sixth operation of repatriation of Eritreans carried out under the auspices of the ICRC since the signing of the Algiers peace agreement last December between Ethiopia and Eritrea.

The ICRC will continue to assist any person affected by the two-year armed conflict between the two countries and to promote the application and respect of the rules and principles of International Humanitarian Law, the release said Enditem

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