

An Open Letter to the Honourable Prime minister of Ethiopia Dr. Abiy Ahmed

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Dr. Abiy

It is my pleasure to write this letter in support of your peace initiative.

I am an Eritrean human rights activist. And like many, I'm behind your policy that aims to bring peace without violence. It is completely new to the history of that region. So, it worth than we thought. Please go ahead.

It has already made the world feel good. Yes, there is a long way to go. But the task of this generation is to start never ending the process.

In the end the incalculable death of Abyssinians by violence, like May 1998 to June 2000, will stop. People will be able to say that nobody has the right to buy with our money weapons and equipment that kill and injure us and our values. And they will evaluate correctly what could have been done with the money that made the border war happen.

We can't be at peace unless we make it. To do this, we should know that it is not the responsibility of one man, but of all its beneficiaries. But undoubtedly the role of leadership is decisive. To be where we want to be, emerging sworn democratic stars are always needed. I am not talking about those who preach democracy until they sit on the throne, that we are fed up with them, but those who continue to grow as democratic men or women to death like Mahatma Gandhi.

But with all due respect, dear doctor, I doubt whether your approach is scientific or not. The Abyssinian community has both religious knowledge and scientific knowledge. When we compare the power of influence of these two knowledge, we dare to say that scientific knowledge has very little territory of influence. For this reason, it is not surprising to find an Abyssinian hamlet or village that doesn't know why the mule cannot reproduce. Much worse almost all Abyssinian teachers, journalists, officers, etc., they are not able to identify the difference between true and fake words. But this is only when we talk about local languages. So, the type of knowledge matters a lot and, if it is possible, I would like to know the kind of knowledge followed for our long march for victory.

I firmly believe that a key figure in our long march to success is a person who does not think in Oromo, or in Amharic, or in Tigriyna, or ... but in English. Simply put, these wild local languages are not literary languages. With them we are destined to be just peasants, soldiers and taxpayers. This helps to identify and bring together those responsible for change.

We cannot have peace among ourselves before the closure of all the wells that produce violence. To do this, highly qualified workers are needed. And I hope that the apparent lack of this does not create ambiguities. That is, to achieve the dream of peace, the people have the right to hire high-skilled workers from any part of the planet. Because burying well of violence does not require nationality, but only skill. This makes you realize that the government of Dr. Abiy has the right to form a peacebuilder team composed of foreigners who work sincerely for the interest of Abyssinian people who love peace. The history of this is not missing an example. Simply remember what the late **Sylvia Pankhurst** has helped to be where we are.

Peace as an unsolved problem reigned for many centuries. It seems that nowadays our hunger for peace becomes a key point in our lives compared to the past. Perhaps we are on the eve of the construction of a lasting peace. But, peace can't be built without

military power that preserves it. This seems logical, there is no peace in the world without the guard. So, government of Dr. Abiy is recommended to build "Peace through strength". Because of this there must be a policy that gives birth to **highly trained United Ethiopia military**. On that occasion, politics should not forget to include the grandchildren of Zerai Deres, Abreha Deboch and Moges Asgedom because history shows that no one has defended (ancient) Ethiopian values like them.

The name 'Federal Democratic Republic of **Ethiopia**' is good name but only for academic people. To respond to the needs of its inhabitants, it is better if it is renamed. To honour its multicultural, here are my four suggests. They are compound nouns made with an adjective and a noun and I believe, but not certain, that the base verbs (ሐበረ, ሐድደሰ and ሰበዩ) are Ge'ez root words.

1) United Ethiopia	1) ሕብርቲ (ሐበረ) ኢትዮጵያ ወይ ኢትዮፕያ
2) New Ethiopia	2) ሐድዳሰ (ሐድደሰ) ኢትዮጵያ
3) Renewed Ethiopia	3) ሕድድስቲ (") ኢትዮጵያ
4) Great Ethiopia	4) ዓብባይ (ሰበዩ) ኢትዮጵያ

We are used to wrong words, phrases, etc. So, it's no wonder that we find a newspaper that does not know grammatical rules. In short, we are with undeveloped spoken and written communication. And we are also used to a non-democratic solution. So, it's not surprising that we find controversial lands, ethnic conflicts, religious disputes, etc. etc. But now we have to get up to start cleaning something that threatens our dream of civilization and coexistence. And I firmly believe that these can be eradicated, but only if democratic methods will be applied.

Last but not least, dear Dr. Abiy, beyond the false agreement of Jeddah, could you please tell us if the lack of the rule of law in Eritrea was on the table? That said, the main concern of Eritrean citizens is the lack of a rule of law in Eritrea, not the ethio-Eritrean border or other problem.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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