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## Neoconic Hypocrisy and State Terror in Ethiopia Press Release 13

In May of 2007, like his cousin in Asmara, Meles Zenawi, the Butcher of Adwa, is celebrating "his victory" over his nemesis Mengistu Haile Mariam, the former head of the Ethiopian military junta. No one despite the wishes of Bereket Simion, the Eritrean Shaibeian agent and Zenawi's political guru is distracted by this charade. Simion recently declared in a statement he gave to [Statesman.com](http://Statesman.com) that he wants and has given permission to the Ogaden National Liberation Front (ONLF) to set free the people of the Somali region of Ethiopia and declare the region independent just like his motherland Eritrea was let go in 1993. Simion was quoted as stating that **"Somali-speaking people inhabiting our region, they are Ethiopians, they have full rights," said former Minister for Information Bereket Simon. "They can secede from Ethiopia if they want. Their right is respected to this level so they have never enjoyed better."** Zenawi the Tigrean tribal supremacist and liberator however is now comfortable in Haile Mariam's chair and 'the liberation of the people in the Tigray region' is tactically on hold until an opportune time, or his grip on power is seriously challenged.

George W. Bush however wants Ethiopia and the East African region to remain in the hands of the Tigrean People's Liberation Front (TPLF/EPRDF) until Meles Zenawi, Bush's viceroy, and secretary-general of the Marxist Leninist League of Tigray (MLLT) allied to the Chinese Communist party, accomplishes 'his charge' – subdue the Ethiopian opposition and safeguard the Ogaden and other selected regions for US secret missions. Three New York Times American journalists 'stumbled' on the protected zone and ended up being held and tortured for five days and released without charges with their equipment and evidence confiscated.

Meanwhile a tragic-comedy is being staged all over Ethiopia today - the Ethiopian people are presumably celebrating with joy "the 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the removal in 1991 of Mengistu Haile Mariam' - one of the most blood-thirsty African tyrants (now living in exile in Zimbabwe under the protection of Robert Mugabe and US government blessing) and the ascension to power of Meles Zenawi. To boot, Zenawi is digging the graves of Haile Mariam's victims and allowing their kin to re-bury the remains today. Ironically, thousands of Zenawi's victims dumped in shallow mass graves since May 1991 will have to await a similar rite once the US and British governments come to their senses and dissociate themselves from the dictator and he is brought to his knees by the Ethiopian people. Zenawi meanwhile is busy with the carnage and genocide against non-Tigreans. The TPLF propaganda machine and hired conservative Washington lobbyists of course want the world community to learn that Meles Zenawi 'the great leader and democrat' (but in fact a psychotic neo-fascist who replicated Haile Mariam's brutality) liberated Ethiopians from 'socialist tyranny'.

The paranoid schizophrenic Zenawi thinks, and Bush concurs, that the Tigrean US trained Agazi

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troops (less than one percent of the population) will succeed is corralling the Ethiopian people into "African Guantanos", similar to Isaias Afewerki's police state in Eritrea, and sustain Zenawi's dream of remaining in power for decades, not unlike his tyrannical brothers in Africa and elsewhere. Zenawi TPLF was soundly beaten at the polls in May 2005, but he declared marshal law and incarcerated the elected representatives of the people, once he learned that the people wanted him out of the seat of government that he seized through the barrel of the gun. No doubt, Bush's contorted vision of history and neoconic delusional undertaking is not working in Bagdad and will never succeed in Addis Abeba. Zenawi claimed that he invaded Somalis because phantom Islamic Judaists based in Mogadishu threatened his regime, just like Bush resorted to state violence to destroy 'Al-Qaida of Iraq' and to disarm its mentor Sadam Hussein of WMD. Fear mongering and cantankerous arguments are used as tools to confuse the gullible and earn blind subservience from opportunistic and obedient cadres.

However, no power on this earth could force the people of any nation, through shock and awe, to accept occupation masqueraded as freedom and democracy. Democratic governance must be based on the local people's culture, custom, traditions, historical context and determination, and not imported from an alien concoction of norms of civilized behavior. Balloting in itself is not democracy. The imposition of Sadam Hussien in the 1980s on the Iraqi people by US intelligence and military created an oppressive dictatorship that American soldiers are being sacrificed to undo. The imposition of the TPLF and the Eritrean Liberation Front (EPLF) in 1991 by State Department's Herman Cohen on the Ethiopian people led to the current quagmire in Ethiopia. Like that of Hussein, the demise and fate of Meles Zenawi's brutal dictatorship is inevitable regardless of what the Republican administration wishes. George W. Bush should have been given this lesson in high school at the earliest or Yale if he was (is) a slow learner.

While indeed terrorists ought to be contained and disarmed and every nation's borders secured, not a single citizen of any nation with a grain of pride in his/her soul wants to be subjugated by mercenary and occupying forces no matter how the ethnic or religious liberationist theory and hegemonious military mission is sweetened and propagated. Ethiopians demonstrated their determination to be free, in the not to distant past, to the Italian fascists who occupied the country for almost five years during WWII. Only those who do not learn from history repeat the same mistakes! The Ethiopian people's yearning for freedom and democratic governance shall prevail!

Victory to the Ethiopian People.

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