

For Six Month Period Ending October 31, 2009
(Insert date)

I - REGISTRANT

1. (a) Name of Registrant (b) Registration No.

Ethiopian People Revolutionary Party 4789

(c) Business Address(es) of Registrant

P.O.Box 73337 Washington DC 20056
Washington DC 20056

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following:

- (a) If an individual:
 - (1) Residence address(es) Yes No
 - (2) Citizenship Yes No
 - (3) Occupation Yes No
- (b) If an organization:
 - (1) Name Yes No
 - (2) Ownership or control Yes No
 - (3) Branch offices Yes No
- (c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in items (a) and (b) above.

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IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4 AND 5(a).

3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C¹, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.
Yes No
If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes No
If no, please attach the required amendment.

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date connection ended
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(b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence address	Citizenship	Position	Date assumed
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5. (a) Has any person named in item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes No

If yes, identify each such person and describe his service.

(b) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or connection	Date terminated
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(c) During this 6 month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence address	Citizenship	Position	Date assumed
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6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(c) of the supplemental statement?

Yes No

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name of foreign principal

Date of termination

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal² during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and address of foreign principal.

Date acquired

9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principals² whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

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10. **EXHIBITS A AND B**

(a) Have you filed for each of the newly acquired foreign principals in Item 8 the following:

Exhibit A³ Yes No
Exhibit B⁴ Yes No

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

(b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during the 6 month period? Yes No

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes No

If no, please attach the required amendment.

² The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in Section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a)(9).) A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

³ The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3 (Formerly CRM-157), sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

⁴ The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4 (Formerly CRM-155), sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

III - ACTIVITIES

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11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement? Yes No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

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See # 12 below

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12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity⁵ as defined below? Yes No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates and places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

June 29, 2009 Fassika Bellette attended the founding conference of Ethiopian Peoples Revoltuionary Youth League. He addressed the conference participants about the aims, objectives and activities of the party and about the current political situation of Ethiopia.

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13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits any or all of your foreign principals? Yes No

If yes, describe fully.

⁵ The term "political activities" means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to the political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

14. (a) RECEIPTS - MONIES

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes No

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies⁶.

Date	From whom	Purpose	Amount
May, 2009	Members and supporters	Membership fee & cont.	5,080.00
June 2009	" " "	" " "	1,280.00
July 2009	" " "	" " "	5,405.00
August, 2009	" " "	" " "	11,055.00
September 2009	" " "	" " "	4,420.00
October, 2009	" " "	" " "	5,740.00
			32,980.00
			Total

(b) RECEIPTS - FUND RAISING CAMPAIGN

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fund raising campaign⁷, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes No

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D⁸ to your registration? Yes No

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date _____

(c) RECEIPTS - THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value⁹ other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name of foreign principal	Date received	Description of thing of value	Purpose
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⁶ 7 A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, money, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fund raising campaign. (See Rule 201(e).)

⁸ An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fund raising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

⁹ Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

15. (a) **DISBURSEMENTS - MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

- (1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes No
- (2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes No

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To whom	Purpose	Amount
May, 09	Verizon, PEPCO, Wash. gas,	Telephone, electricitiy,	4,301.99
	ADT, AOL, Capital one, Home depot, Tegegne, Mis Fassika	gas, security, credit, internet card payment, Misc	700.00
June, 09	Verizon, PEPCO, ADT, FARA	Telephone, electricity,	5,071.50
	Capital One, Home depot AWS, Tsehay Meshesha, Tegegne, Misc, Fassika	security, registration, credit card payment, rent, intenet, Misc.	700.00
July, 09	Verizon, PEPCO, Wash, gas,	Telephone, electricity,	6,496.93
	AWS, Capital one, AOL, Tsehagas,	gas, garbage, credit card payment, internet, rent, Misc	
	Tsehay Meshesha, Tegegne, Misc. Fassika Transfer Overseas		700.00 6,000.00
Aug. 09	Verizon, PEPCO, Wash. gas	Telephone, electricity, gas	3,943.29
	Bestbuy, AOL, Capital one, Home depot, Tsehay Meshesha Tegegn, Misc. Fassika	credit card payment, inernet rent, Misc.	700.00
Sept. 09	Verizon, Home depot, ADT	Telephone, security, internet	7,330.98
	AOL, Captial one, Bestbuy, Tsehay Meshesha, Tegegne, Misc. Fassika	credit card payment, rent Misc.	700.00
Oct. 09	Verizon, PEPCO, AWS, ADT	Telephone, electriciicity,	5,075.17
	AOL, Homedepot, Capital one Bestbuy, Tsehay Meshesha, Tegegne, Misc.	garbage, security, internet, credit card payment, rent Misc.	
	Fassika Transfer Overseas		700.00 5,000.00

47,419.86

Total

(b) DISBURSEMENTS – THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value¹⁰ other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date disposed	Name of person to whom given	On behalf of what foreign principal	Description of thing of value	Purpose
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(c) DISBURSEMENTS – POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value¹¹ in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or thing of value	Name of political organization	Name of candidate
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^{10, 11} Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

16. During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials¹²?
Yes No

IF YES, RESPOND TO THE REMAINING ITEMS IN SECTION V.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

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18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- Radio or TV broadcasts
- Magazine or newspaper articles
- Motion picture films
- Letters or telegrams
- Advertising campaigns
- Press releases
- Pamphlets or other publications
- Lectures or speeches
- Internet
- Other (specify) _____

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- Public officials
- Newspapers
- Libraries
- Legislators
- Editors
- Educational institutions
- Government agencies
- Civic groups or associations
- Nationality groups
- Other (specify) Ethiopians

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

- English
- Other (specify) _____

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes No

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act? Yes No

12 The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.

VI - EXECUTION

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to the truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Type or print name under each signature¹³)

11/28/09

Fassika Bellette
FASSIKA BELLETTE

11/28/09

Tegegne M. Abaye
TEGEGNE M. ABOYE

11/28/09

[Signature]
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¹³ This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.



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National Security Division

Washington, DC 20530

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SHORT-FORM REGISTRATION INFORMATION SHEET

SECTION A

The Department records list active short-form registration statements for the following persons of your organization filed on the date indicated by each name. If a person is not still functioning in the same capacity directly on behalf of the foreign principal, please show the date of termination.

Short Form List for Registrant: Ethiopian Peoples Revolutionary Party

Last Name	First Name and Other Names	Registration Date	Termination Date	Role
Aboye	Tegegne M.	04/07/1993		
Bellette	Fassika	04/07/1993		
Taye	Fanta	04/07/1993		

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Title and brief description of the Press Releases of
the EPRP

1. Title: **Ethiopians are still waiting for a Vatican apology.**
Date of Issue: May 11, 2009
Brief Description: The press release demands the Vatican to apologize to the Ethiopian People for the support that Pope Pious XI gave to the invasion of Ethiopia by Mussolini's fascist army.
2. Title : **Meles goes, Meles stays - a non issue diversion**
Date Of Issue: June 24, 2009
Brief Description: The press release exposes Meles's the claim that he would step down at the next election as false and describes it as a non issue.
3. Title: **EPRP condemns Sudanese aggression and killings**
Date of Issue: July 13, 2009
Brief Description: The press release condemns the killings of dozens of Ethiopians by the Sudanese soldiers that crossed the border around a place called Taya.
4. Title: **Sabre rattling by Egypt cannot pass**
Date of Issue July 22, 2009
Brief Description: The press release condemns the Meles regime for the ceding of the right the Ethiopian people to Egypt concerning the use of the Nile water and strongly backs the 11 African countries' attempt to take Egypt and Britain to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) and their demand to have the unfair and illegal treaties of 1929 and 1956 abrogated.

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5. Title: Denounce the Ceding of Ethiopian Land
- Date of Issue: August 5, 2009
- Brief Description: The Press Release condemns the ceding of the Ethiopian farmlands to Sudan and other foreign governments and investors by the Meles regime.
6. Title: Ceding Ethiopian Land to Foreigners is condemnable
- Date of Issue: August 13, 2009
- Brief Description: The press release condemns the Meles regime announcement that it would further grant of more than 2.7 million hectares to foreigners.
7. Title: Open letter to the Government of Sudan
Withdraw from the Ethiopian Territory Fast
- Date Of Issue: September 15, 2009
- Brief Description: The Press Release strongly objects to the occupation of the Ethiopian territory by the Sudanese Army and calls upon the Government of Sudan to withdraw immediately.
8. Title: Meles regime intensifies environmental degradation
- Date of Issue: October 22, 2009
- Brief Description: The Press Release exposes the ceding of land to the Sudan and the sale of fertile land to foreign companies will result in deforestation and environmental degradation .
9. Title: Update of the drought and famine in Ethiopia
- Date of Issue: October 23, 2009

Brief Description: The press release alerts the donors of the magnitude of the imminent famine and calls upon to directly distribute food aid to the needy.

10. Title: Lease of farmlands to foreigners hurts Ethiopian farmers

Date Of Issue: November 14, 2009

Brief Description: The press releases criticizes and condemns the leasing of farmland to foreigners and describes the undertakings as a new colonialism..

11. Title: The US AGUA program is helping the ruling party

Date Of Issue: November 14, 2009

Brief Description: The press releases criticizes and condemns the leasing of farmland to foreigners and describes the undertakings as a new colonialism..

12. Title: Lease of farmlands to foreigners hurts Ethiopian farmers

Date Of Issue: November 26, 2009

Brief Description: The press releases criticizes the US Agency for International Development for having brokered a contract worth \$ 30 million annually between Mississippi based Atlas Manufacturing group and Adwa (Tigray) based Almeda Textile factory. The press release explains that since Almeda is owned by the Meles party, TPLF, the deal no doubt helps the ruling party.

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May 11/2009

ETHIOPIANS STILL WAITING FOR A VATICAN APOLOGY

The Pope of the Catholic church is presently on a visit to the Middle East and the fact that Vatican has apologized for the negative and condemnable role and position of the Catholic Church during the Second World War and the genocide of Jews makes it imperative that we remind the Pope and the Vatican once again that Ethiopians are still waiting for an apology for the support that Pope Pius XI and the Vatican gave to the invasion of Ethiopia by Mussolini's fascist army.

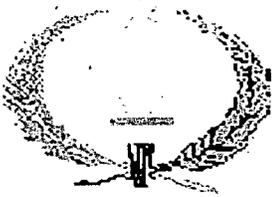
The Vatican blessed the invasion and the invading soldiers, nuns contributed their rings to the war coffer and the Ethiopians were condemned as "heathens" in need of a civilizing action by the Italian invaders. Since then, the Vatican has not uttered one word of apology to the Ethiopian people and Italy has not paid any meaningful reparation to Ethiopia who lost a million dead as a result of the invasion and the brutal poison gas attacks. The demand for an apology from the Vatican is just and fair demand, the least one can expect for the immense suffering that Ethiopian have had to endure from the invasion. The bright and young intellectuals of the country, the patriarch Abune Petros, more than 200 monks, and a million people perished. Patriots were beheaded and civilians hang from trees in dozens, thousands of women were raped, the invasion was brutal, vindictive and racist. The Vatican backed and supported this invasion and it is high time it makes an apology to the people of Ethiopia just as it had done in the case of Israel. Justice delayed is justice denied.

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MELES GOES, MELES STAYS -- A NON ISSUE DIVERSION

The deceptive regime of Meles Zenawi is adept at fabricating false slogans and fake priorities which it cleverly passes to foreign news medias and agencies. In this vein, it has recently circulated a non issue like the possible stepping down of Meles Zenawi from his post as prime minister and tried to cover up the main point that the coming 2010 election is going to be rigged and false as has been witnessed before.

Will Meles Zenawi step down as prime minister? Will he continue? This is a non issue and a totally irrelevant subject as far as the Ethiopian people is concerned. Meles is a tyrant, a man who has headed a murderous regime for 18 years and should be judged for crimes against humanity and for genocide. The replacement of Meles by another similar thug from his party/front is meaningless to Ethiopians yearning for democracy. Hence, the media hype and bla bla on the eventual resignation of the tyrant is a non issue, a diversion, a deception. The main interest of Ethiopians is to see the end of the ethnic Tigrean chauvinist regime headed by Meles and not to see the replacement of Meles by another handpicked Tigrean or non Tigrean tyrant. The main issue pertaining to the coming general election is that it would be rigged and that the result is already known: the Meles regime has assured itself victory by assuring the electoral law and the electoral commission are under its control or in its favor. Back in 2005, the Meles outfit lost the election but it retained power through repression and flagrant rigging. For the coming election, it has prepared itself to assure victory, even the loyal opposition is handicapped, and it is within this context that the regime has introduced the issue of the alleged resignation of Meles Zenawi from his PM post. A non issue par excellence, so long as the repressive ruling front continues to hold the reins of power.

The EPRP has firmly stated that the coming 2010 general election is a sham and a parody of a free and fair election. That Meles Zenawi steps down or not is of no significance so long

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as the repressive system continues. Meles as no longer PM or as head of the ruling party or as a non official does not mean any change so long as the ruling TPLF/EPRDF maintains absolute power. Election under the ruling front has been an affront to democracy and free and fair election principles. Come to 2010 the injustice will repeat itself. This is why Ethiopians are against the hype around the 2010 election or the orchestrated fate of the tyrant called Meles Zenawi.

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JULY 13/ 2009

PRESS STATEMENT

EPRP CONDEMNS SUDANESE AGGRESSION AND KILLINGS

On July 9, Sudanese soldiers crossed the border in the Taya area and invaded Ethiopian territory to kill dozens of Ethiopian farmers. Troops of the Meles regime in the area did not take any action. The Sudanese claim that the fertile land in the region has been ceded to the Sudan by the Meles regime and the Ethiopian farmers should not be there.

Ethiopian farmers in the area were able to recuperate seven bodies (one has been buried now in Metema and the others have been taken to Negade Bahir and other villages of Chilga region for burial. The Meles regime has ceded Ethiopian territory to the Sudan and the soldiers of Khartoum are stationed in Nefso Gebeya and other sites of Quara and have ousted Ethiopian farmers from these Ethiopian lands. Sudan has also arrested and taken away to prison in the Sudan more than forty Ethiopian farmers. It is to be noted that recently the Beshir and Meles regimes signed a secret military agreement in Addis Ababa and have stated that they will jointly fight against what they call their "common enemies". Sudan has deported many Ethiopian refugees back to Ethiopia (many like Major Atanaw Wassie are in Kaliti prison while others like Azanaw Demile have been disappeared) and continues to mistreat Ethiopian refugees in collaboration with the Meles embassy in Khartoum.

The killing of Ethiopian farmers by Sudanese soldiers is a crime that the EPRP condemns with vigour. The EPRP has called on Ethiopians both inside and outside the country to mobilize against the aggressive acts of the Beshir regime and to condemn the traitorous anti national cabal of Meles Zenawi.

The sovereignty of Ethiopia shall be defended and assured by the sacrifice of its valiant sons and daughters.

Stop the aggression by the Sudan!

Sudanese troops should leave Ethiopia without conditions!

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directed against Ethiopia and the late Sadat had even threatened war against Ethiopia over the Nile. The sabre rattling has now been taken by Al Ahram news paper and other Egyptian officials who are now declaring they will go to war if Egypt's so called rights are compromised.

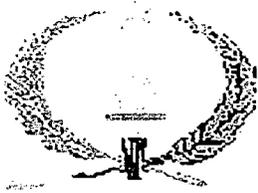
The traitorous regime of Meles Zenawi has undoubtedly ceded Ethiopia's rights to Egypt. Yet, Ethiopians will not relinquish their historical rights to the Nile whose waters come mainly from Ethiopia. The EPRP backs the 11 African countries' attempt to take Egypt and Britain to the ICJ and their demand to have the unfair and illegal treaties of 1929 and 1956 abrogated.

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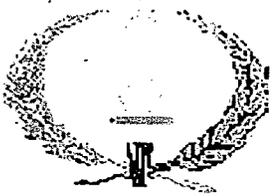
SABRE RATTLING BY EGYPT CANNOT PASS

The traitorous regime of Meles Zenawi has once again ceded Ethiopia's rights over the River Nile. 85% of the water of the Nile comes from the Blue Nile (Abbai River) in Ethiopia.

As parliamentarians from 11 African Nile basin countries consider to file a lawsuit against Egypt regarding the 1929 and 1959 agreements that gave it exclusive right on the usage of the Nile, the sold out regime in Addis Ababa, like Egypt's ally Sudan, has reportedly declined to back the riparian countries. The 1929 agreement was signed between Egypt and colonial Britain without the participation of Ethiopia or any other riparian country. In 1959 Sudan and Egypt signed an amendment to the 1929 document and once again gave full rights to Egypt over the Nile to the detriment of the interests of the African countries concerned. Last month, the Nile Basin countries met in the Congo to discuss a more rationale use of the Nile but Egypt refused to sign the common document alleging that come what may it will defend its so called "historical rights". Back in 1993, the Meles regime reportedly signed an agreement with Egypt ceding Ethiopian rights and by refusing now to join the 11 countries trying to bring the case against Egypt and Britain to the International Court of Justice (ICJ) it has proved beyond any shadow of a doubt its anti Ethiopian nature.

Egypt's greedy claim over more and more of the waters of the Nile has hindered the other countries from using the Nile waters for their own irrigation and farming. At the Congo meeting Egypt wanted the African countries to approve its "right to 5.5 billion cubic square metres of waters annually" as well as to agree that dam or other project will not be done on the Nile without Egyptian approval and that the Convention be amended only by unanimous vote. Egypt has grandiose plan to sue the water of the Nile to develop a desert area to be populated by millions of settlers. To assure supremacy of its demands Egypt has tried several invasions and sabotage

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RENOUNCE THE CEDING OF ETHIOPIAN LAND

The traitorous regime of Meles Zenawi has ceded Ethiopian land to the Sudan and it is now giving more than 1.6 million hectares of fertile land to foreigners coming from the Middle East and East Asia. The effect of this appropriation of land by foreigners is negative and not to be underestimated. Presently, 10 million Ethiopians need food aid and lack of food has been a recurrent and persistent problem. Dictatorial rule and bankrupt economic policies have ruined Ethiopian agriculture and reduced the peasantry to starvation and benumbing poverty.

The ruling EPRDF is interested only in selling Ethiopian land and gaining financial and political benefits. As Ethiopians starve, foreign investors become owners of the fertile land and Saudi Arabia has already exported wheat produced in Ethiopia. A total number of 8,420 mostly foreign investors (Indian, Saudi, Chinese, etc) have received licenses for commercial farms. It is not by accident that the land set aside for foreigners is mainly in regions outside of Tigray, the land of the ruling clique. The land set aside is in Benishangul - Gumuz and Gambella in western Ethiopia, in the Southern region and Afar. A further 800,000 hectares in Oromia region and 300,000 in the Amhara region were also in the process of being parcelled out for commercial farming.

The ceding of fertile land to rich foreign investors augurs more problems for countries like Ethiopia that suffer from drought and famine and debilitated agricultural production. The poor farmers will inevitably be reduced to poor agricultural workers and will never be able to stand on their own feet. Chinese, Indian and Saudi or Arab investors have proved to be merciless exploiters with no restraint and concern for the local people. This is why the EPRP is fiercely opposed to this ceding of land to so called foreign investors.

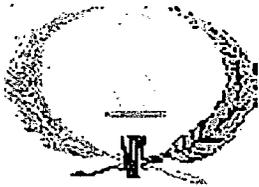
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CEDING ETHIOPIAN LAND TO FOREIGNERS IS CONDEMNABLE

Following the EPRP press release condemning the ceding of fertile Ethiopian land to foreigners (August 5/2009), the regime of Meles Zenawi has tried to deny its questionable and condemnable policy of ceding more than 2.7 million hectares of fertile Ethiopian land to foreign firms and companies.

The regime's agricultural ministry officials claim that Ethiopia has millions of hectares of arable land that are not in use (their logic states that the land must thus be handed to foreigners!) and that ceding land in this way will bring foreign currency to the country. These flimsy arguments have been challenged by many quarters who correctly state that while Ethiopians starve foreigners should not be allowed to produce in Ethiopia and export the same to their own country. The main land grabbers in Ethiopia come from India, China, United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia and South Korea. Over 1.7 million hectares of the arable land is to be given to the investors before the next harvest season. All in all 8000 foreign companies have applied for land and the competition is cut throat while already 2000 have acquired land. The EPRDF officials are arguing that large scale commercial farms are the solution for ending famine and hunger but this does not hold true when the commercial farms are foreign owned and the produce is taken out of the country as a whole. That foreign countries feed their own people will not mean the end of hunger in Ethiopia.

The traitorous regime handed over Ethiopian land to the Sudan and had the gall to claim the land was not inhabited by Ethiopians. The assertion was false but then again one does not hand over a country's land claiming it is not inhabited. Yet, the Meles regime is anti-Ethiopian and only after money to hoard in foreign banks. The ceding of land to foreign investors does not have Ethiopian interest in mind and is contrary to the interest of the Ethiopian people. The EPRP condemns this policy and act and reminds the foreign investors that they are acting against our people and would have to bear the consequences in due course of time.

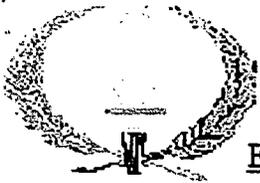
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CHOLERA CONTINUES TO KILL PEOPLE ALL OVER ETHIOPIA

The EPRP strongly condemns the Meles Zenawi regime that has not only exposed the Ethiopian people to a cholera epidemic but has ordered doctors and health officers to deny the epidemic is cholera lest it loses revenue for foreign tourists. Hundreds have died from the cholera epidemic referred to by the regime falsely as "diarrhoea".

The Meles regime has in the past 18 years totally damaged the health system of the country. Moreover the scarcity of water even in the capital city is now an open secret. Deplorable conditions of hygiene, lack of cleaning water, more than half a million people destitute and sleeping on the streets, open sewage, etc... the epidemic was waiting to happen. However, instead of declaring a cholera emergency and trying to combat it the Meles regime has opted to deny that there is cholera in the country just as it had tried in the past, through the mouth of Meles Zenawi, to deny there is drought and famine (close to 14 million people now need food aid).

The EPRP calls on international NGOs and bodies to mobilise to expose and fight the cholera epidemic in Ethiopia which continues to kill dozens and more every single day since a month or so ago.

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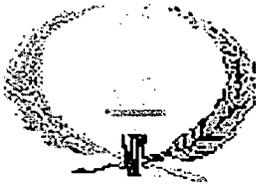
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OPEN LETTER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SUDAN
WITHDRAW FROM ETHIOPIAN TERRITORY FAST!

The EPRP calls on the government of the Sudan led by General Omar Al-Beshir to withdraw immediately and without condition from the Ethiopian territory that it is occupying in Gondar region.

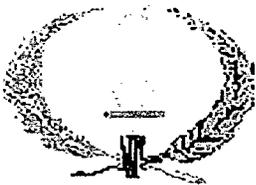
The Sudan government has illegally occupied Ethiopian territory, chased away Ethiopian peasants and farmers from their land, closed farms, stationed Sudanese soldiers on Ethiopian soil, damaged farm machinery, arrested and taken to the Sudan Ethiopian nationals and even killed several others over the past months. The grim reality of this illegal occupation has not changed up to now and the EPRP is forced once again to call on the Sudan to withdraw its soldiers from Ethiopian land.

Attempts to mobilize Ethiopians against the invasion have been thwarted both inside and outside the country by the sold out regime of Meles Zenawi and its hirelings. However, the mobilization of the Ethiopian people against this outrage and attack on sovereignty is continuing and will have dire consequences for the invaders and their accomplices. Sudan should withdraw its soldiers in Quara and release the farmers it has jailed. International public opinion should also be mobilized against this Sudanese aggression which sooner or later will be resisted and ended by the people of Ethiopia. It is sad to note that the government of General Beshir continues to act against Ethiopians ever since it came to power, deporting , mistreating and killing refugees, letting the spies and death squads of Melss Zenawi operate freely in the Sudan and now occupying Ethiopian land. This should end.

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MELES REGIME INTENSIFIES ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION

Reliable reports revealing the sad fact that the Meles Zenawi regime has leased out parts of the Gambella National park land to a Saudi Arabian modern farming company and that the felling of the trees has begun in earnest has highlighted the regime's intensified assault on the environment in Ethiopia. It is to be remembered that the vast Nech Sar Park was torched by the cadres of the regime some years back leading to the loss of the forest and wild life.

The Meles Zenawi regime has proved an enemy of the environment in more ways than one. Moreover, it has allowed foreign entities to degrade the Ethiopian environment at will, to engage in deforestation and ecological attacks. Sudanese nationals have been given access to Ethiopian land and to cut trees for coal, devastate the bamboo trees in the Metema region and to hunt down endangered wild animals. Deforestation and extensive logging from Quara to Wollega has led to alarming environmental degradation. The regime that has imported genetically modified seeds has also intensified the use of dangerous fertilizers that have harmed the soil and contributed to pollution.

The recent intensified sale of agricultural land to foreign companies (Saudi Arabia, China, India, etc) has led to intensified deforestation as land is cleared for farming (rice, wheat, etc to be taken outside of Ethiopia). Hunters from the Middle East have been allowed, for a price, to hunt down wild animals that need protection instead. Rivers and streams have been spoilt, the dams on Gilgel Gibe have been accused of negatively impacting on the surrounding areas, the lack of potable water and the inadequacy of the sewage system in the cities have aggravated the environmental degradation. Addis Abeba deservedly has become one of the dirtiest cities in the world. The persistence of famine and drought is definitely linked to this situation and the irresponsible environmentally unfriendly measures of the Meles Zenawi regime.

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The ongoing massive lease of land in Ethiopia and other African countries is being labelled a new scramble for Africa and a "neo-colonial" action. The Chinese investment in Ethiopia has already been singled out as being exploitative and the harsh treatment of Ethiopian workers by the Chinese (the government has given them the right to physically beat the workers) has been condemned. Ethiopia gains little or nothing from this plunder-encouraging measure. The new and destructive scramble should be stopped. Ethiopians like their kin in Madagascar should rise up and say Ethiopia is not for sale.

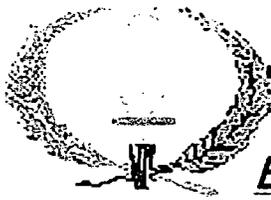
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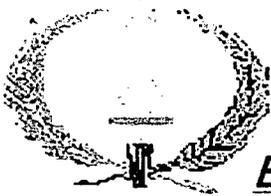
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LEASE OF FARM LAND TO FOREIGN COMPANIES
HURTS ETHIOPIAN FARMERS

As if the ceding of Ethiopia's fertile land to the Sudan was not disastrous enough, the Meles Zenawi regime has now leased more than 3 million hectares of land (7.4 million acres) to foreign companies that are to farm this land and carry off the produce back to their countries. It is a 15 Birr (US\$1.19) cheap sale per hectare and Arab, Chinese, South Korean and Indian companies have rushed in to take advantage and the so called investors are being given grace periods on payment.

The Meles regime claims that it thus attracting foreign investment and that Ethiopia has a lot of uncultivated land anyways but the ongoing lease of arable land to foreign investors has been roundly criticized as detrimental to the interest of Ethiopian farmers. The Indian food processor Karuturi Global Ltd, Midroc company of the Saudi sheikh Alamoudi, the Saudi company of the Ben Laden family, Chinese and South Korean firms are all aiming to produce food for export and the first rice harvest has been already presented to the Saudi king according to reports. The regime claims that this measure will also help bring employment to Ethiopians but this a flimsy justification as in most cases the foreign firms like that of the Chinese depend on their own labour force (mostly prisoners). Furthermore, Ethiopia has some 14 million people in need of food aid and the whole notion of farming and exporting food becomes bizarre to say the least, In addition, most of the fertile land is confiscated from Ethiopian farmers and the extensive farming by foreigners is ecologically questionable such as the felling of trees in Gambella and the disruption of the life of pastoralists in Southern Omo. The regime claims such land as has been given to foreigners in areas like Southern Omo is "empty" but this (which echoes the regime's attempt to justify the ceding of land to the Sudan by alleging the land is not inhabited!) has been proven wrong.

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THE US AGOA PROGRAM IS HELPING THE RULING PARTY

On Nov. 19, the US Agency for International Development- funded AGOA Plus said it brokered a contract worth as much as \$30 million annually between Jackson, Mississippi-based Atlas Manufacturing Group and the Adwa (Tigray) based Almeda Textile. Almeda is part of a group of companies that was founded and is controlled by members of the ruling TPLF party under the EFFORT umbrella. EFFORT controls most of the sectors of the Ethiopian economy and is chaired by TPLF Central Committee member Abadi Zemo and its deputy is none other than Azeb Mesfin, the queen of corruption and the wife of tyrant Meles Zenawi. Almeda, that is to say the dictatorial regime of Meles Zenawi is getting a US\$ 30 million contract through a shady deal that enjoyed the manoeuvre and backing of the ruling party and State.

EFFORT is controlled and owned by the ruling party and its notorious quasi monopolist control over the economy has been denounced many times. The profit gained by the EFFORT companies goes direct into the coffers of the ruling party and allegations that the companies are not owned by the TPLF or that the profit goes to development projects in Tigray are baseless. So, why is AGOA funding the dictatorial ruling party to the detriment of the interest and welfare of the Ethiopian people?

The EPRP once again expresses its objection to such types of ill disguised business deals that actually fund the dictatorial regime and its ruthless party. Such actions go against the interest of the Ethiopian people, do not benefit the Ethiopian economy and only serve to strengthen the machinery of repression put in place by the Meles Zenawi regime. The EPRP calls on Ethiopians all over the world to express their protest to AGOA, to the Atlas Manufacturing Group and to the US government.

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