

United Sidama Parties for Freedom and Justice Statement on Current Situation in Sidama

Michael Gaddy, a political scientist, states nature of certain individuals in a government as, "People of wicked and criminal nature, like a leech or a tick, attach itself to the body of freedom and feeds on the life-giving blood of that body, while imparting the Lyme disease of corruption, fear and war. Finally, that body of freedom and liberty is totally destroyed by that parasite." Likewise, the woyane regime is collections of individuals of this nature, whose motives and actions are solely meant to destroy the country. As a result, the country has been stranded amid lawlessness, worst human rights abuse in the country's history, corruption, violence and underdevelopment.

Woyane, neglecting the narration it had played upon on its way to power, started hatching evil plans for Sidama people on the day they stepped into Addis Ababa palace. Their first plan was to get rid of prominent Sidama human rights defenders and likely opponents of their subsequent plans. For example, they recruited Ejigu G/Michael, an ethnic Tigre, born and raised in Sidama, who subsequently was given higher authority in Sidama and started implementing their agenda. He stealthily orchestrated series of murders including that of Fiissa Fichcho, a Sidama war veteran, and other prominent Sidamas. Woyane also bribed and was able to recruit few corrupt individuals to quash struggle of Sidama for freedom and Justice, who then tried to turn in interest of Sidama people for personal gains. As they labeled Bereket Simion an Ethnic Eritrean as Amhara and Kuma Demeksa, an ethnic Tigre as Oromo, they recruited ethnic Wolayitas who were born and raised in Sidama, such as Shiferaw Shigute, Dese Dalke, Yoseph Kumalo and Samuel Sheba to hold highest office in the regime to represent Sidama people and who would later play vital roles for implementing regime's hidden agendas. This is also intended to make Sidamas just onlookers rather than involving them in decision making of issues concerning them on their own soil while Woyane and its criminal elements do as they please without iota of regard for the rights of the people.

One of the noticeable episodes of their action is massacre of over 100 innocent Sidama people who were demonstrating against the work of Hailemariam Desalegn and Shiferaw Shigute to remove Sidama administration from Hawassa town. The demonstrators were responded with brute force using specially trained killers of the regime, by the direct order of Hailemariam Desalegn, Bereket Simion, Shiferaw Shigute and others. They were promoted to higher positions for loyalty and bearing the trade mark of the killer regime. It does not come as a surprise to see the same individuals doing the same crime to the sidama People after a decade, because the regime of this nature does not yield freely unless forced to do so or else they will take everything down with them.

As the Woyane regime massacred Amahara civilians in Arba Gugu to produce Akeldama documentary and burned down churches in Jima area and other localities to attribute this to Muslim community, to create fear-mongering and suspicion between people, they have tried repeatedly to incite violence between Sidamas and adjacent nationals such as Oromos and Wolaytas, though fell short of achieving their goals. Currently the regime is working desperately

to divide Muslim and Christians, simply hoping this helps to prolong their life span. This indicates the decaying regime has scrapped bottom of barrel of any means for its survival and the death is imminent.

Recently, the regime has unveiled a secret plan to its followers how to systematically dismiss Sidamas from Hawassa town. This was a surprise move by the moronic Hailemariam Desalegn and traitor Shiferaw Shigute to the same venue while Sidamas seeking their arrest and punishment for their crimes committed 10 years earlier at Loqqe. However, once their secret plan was laid bare at public and Sidama people raised in unison to denounce their actions, they have faced the truth that they are at odds with history.

Apparently, they had been planning this devious plan quite for some time. Prior to this, Shiferaw imprisoned several Sidamas from Hawassa administration who they believe the likely challengers of their hidden agenda of uprooting Sidama from Hawassa town in the name corruption. Truth be told, while Shiferaw and his collaborators are well known corrupt individuals; jailing the administration staff in the name of corruption is simply asserts complete demise of justice in the country.

In the wake of this failed scheme, the regime turned all Sidama corners into military zone. Presently, imprisonment, harassment, beating, intimidation has become daily occurrences in Sidama. The Sidama people understand clearly the regime is worse off the one it ousted 21 years ago and the level of injustice has become beyond the endurance.

There for USPFJ;

1. Ask the regime to withdraw its army from all Woredas of Sidama land as soon as possible.
2. Sidama with population number third in the country, the quest of self administration is long overdue and this must be implemented immediately.
3. Elements of criminal regime such as Hailemariam Desalegn, Berelket Simion, Shiferaw Shigute and others who ordered Loqqe massacre and committed other crimes must be brought to justice. They deserve to pay for the crime they committed.
4. Sidama people who are jailed in various prisons merely for resisting injustice as well as Hawassa town administration staff that imprisoned lest they would oppose the plan of uprooting Sidamas from Hawassa must be freed immediately.
5. We condemn unjust treatment of Ethiopian Muslim community and request the Woyane regime and its collaborators to stop killing and harassing.
6. We strongly warn individuals who live in Sidama but sell interest of Sidama people for personal gain to refrain from their heinous actions.
7. We call upon all peace loving Ethiopians to come together with ultimate goal of ending tyranny in Ethiopia.

Victory to Sidama People, Death to Woyane and its Collaborators!

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