Abiy Ahmed Ali: Ethiopia's Enemy, Not Its Prime Minister

In the annals of Ethiopian history, no leader has inflicted as much devastation, division, and death as Abiy Ahmed Ali. Despite being referred to as "Prime Minister" by political commentators, media outlets, international institutions like the United Nations, World Bank, and IMF, and diplomats worldwide, the undeniable reality is that Abiy Ahmed Ali is a butcher unparalleled in Ethiopia's history. It is not a title born of hyperbole, but a stark reflection of his actions—genocide and ethnic cleansing against Tigray, Amhara, and Oromo populations, who collectively represent more than 65 percent of Ethiopia's 120 million citizens.

The Rise of a Dangerous Populist

Abiy Ahmed Ali's ascent to power was rooted in populist rhetoric that promised hope, reform, and unity. However, as I have demonstrated in my recent research project that will be available for public consumption soon, his leadership quickly devolved into a quest for unchecked power, marked by authoritarianism, deceit, and calculated destruction. From the onset, Abiy displayed an intense desire to centralize power. He extended the constitutionally mandated elections under the pretext of COVID-19, threatening to demolish buildings and bring mothers to tears should any region, particularly Tigray, dare adhere to the Constitution and hold elections.

The Orchestrated Genocide

Abiy's centralization drive culminated in a meticulously planned genocide against the Tigrayan people. For at least two years, he orchestrated a campaign of annihilation. Partnering with another butcher, Isayas Afewerki, the Commander in Chief of the so-called Eritrean Defense Forces, enlisting Somalia's contingent trained in Eritrea, and deploying drones supplied by the UAE, alongside regional militias and the Ethiopian Defense Forces, he encircled Tigray. Land and air blockades cut off food and medical supplies, while power lines and electricity were severed—all designed to deprive Tigrayans of basic necessities and hasten their demise. The atrocities committed against Tigray are unparalleled both in world and Ethiopian recent history.

This pattern has now extended to the Amhara and Oromia regions, where ethnic cleansing continues unabated. Yet, the international community remains largely complicit, softening its stance toward Abiy. The European Union, which once denounced his crimes, now appears conciliatory. The IMF recently approved billions in aid and loans for a regime that prioritizes ethnic wars and lavish projects like Abiy's \$12 billion Forest Palace over humanitarian needs.

Calling Abiy Ahmed Ali What He Is

Leaders must be called by what they do and say, not through the veneer of diplomatic courtesies. Abiy Ahmed Ali is not a Prime Minister; he is Ethiopia's Minister of Genocide and Ethnic Cleansing. The evidence is glaring and blinding, yet the world, including some shameless and sycophantic TPLF leaders, continues to ignore it.

The Amhara Fano, Oromo Liberation Front, and all those who resist this regime—must consistently name Abiy for what he is: the enemy of Ethiopia. International entities, too, must reject their euphemistic approach and face the truth. Abiy Ahmed Ali's actions have stripped him

of any legitimacy as a leader. He stands as a stark reminder that diplomacy must not blind the world to brutality.

It is time to cast aside the façade and hold Abiy Ahmed Ali accountable. The people of Ethiopia deserve nothing less.