

## The Nile Basin Initiative agreement of May 14th.2010 is equitable deal for everyone

The Europeans and the Arab Rulers for centuries conspired together to enslave the black Africa. Both hunted, sold, and bought Africans among each other as cheap animals. The genocidal crime against the people of black Africa remains unanswered injustice to this date. On the top of that, colonial shekels and conspiracies between the Arabs and westerners deprived and left the black Africa in permanent slavery, conflicts, poverty and bondage. Unjust, barbarian and draconian treaties and agreements ranging from people, borders, natural resources, markets and Rivers among colonial rulers and collaborators permanently and irreparable arrested the development of Black Africa. Both parties thought of Black Africans as sub humans and freely bartered in complete disregard of the interests the black people. One such barbaric bondage is the 1929 and 1959 Nile agreement between Sudan, Egypt and Britain.

The 1929 agreement is a racist treaty concluded as if the people who reside in ten counties are things of no value and without any kind of interests at all. Britain, the colonial master of the day rewarded all the Nile water resources to Egypt for eternity. The agreement stipulates that all the Nile waters have reserved and belong to Egypt. Egypt and only Egypt has the right to monitor the water flow. Egypt and only Egypt has the right to control, reject and veto any projects from any other nations. Egypt and only Egypt has the right to undertake any desired projects and developments freely without any restrictions and consents. Crudely put, Britain told Egypt Nile is yours forever and black people have no rights to use it for anything. Racist, blind, selfish and greedy Egypt for centuries locked the taps of the Nile waters from black Africans.

Egypt with cooperation of the western governments and financial institutions such as World Bank and IMF reinforced the racist colonial rules by blocking all kind of development aid for upper riparian countries over the Nile. Thus, colonialism continues in big swaths of part of black Africa unabated. Both Egypt and neo colonial forces not only assumes but certain that Black Africans remain worthless, useless, never develop and engaged in endless feuding and tribalism. They deliberately planted the seed of conflicts to ensure the success of their devilish plan.

Egypt's obsessions to dominate and to have absolute control over the Nile waters and its total contempt and despise to the upper riparian countries in large part shaped its racist and aggressive stance. Egypt even invaded Ethiopia and attempted to control the entire source of the Nile waters. In fact, the demise of Egyptian War of 1875-1879 against Ethiopia lead Egypt to become a British Protectorate in 1882. The defeat and bankruptcy of Egypt lead to British colonization. Undeterred by the defeat of Gundet and Gura, Egypt still harbors open hostilities and always evokes battle cries and war over Nile matters against Ethiopia. Many of its leaders are openly threatening wars and preparing for invasions not to allow any upper riparian counties to utilize God given rivers that flows from their territory.

Particularly, extreme animosity, overly destructive and aggressive mode against Ethiopia is the cardinals of foreign, military, political, and social policies of Egypt. Egypt work 24/7 to see Ethiopia remain poor, divided, weak and unstable. These kind of negative and brutal attitude and policies in large part played significant roles in many wars and conflicts in Ethiopia. The role of Egypt in Eritrean and Somalia conflicts is considerable which cost Ethiopia enormously. Arming, financing, hosting and training various Ethiopian hostile groups was and is the primary and active policy of Egypt. It is not overstating to say that the part played by Egypt on Eritrean issues severely damaging and detrimental to the interest of Ethiopia.

In the realms of things, Eritrea served well the interest of Egypt. Before and after the Eritrean independence Egypt invested heavily on Eritrea and tide and frustrated the geopolitical balance of Ethiopia. Egypt remains the political, military and propaganda conduit of Eritrea and visa versa when it comes to Ethiopia. This kind of symbiotic relationship between Egypt and Eritrea against any interest of Ethiopia represents the most serious national security threat to Ethiopia. Both of these irresponsible regimes become the source of instability and poverty in the entire regions of the horn. The destructive alliance of Egypt and Eritrea on current tragic problems of Somalia is serious concern and a threat to peace and security to Africa. Egypt's determination to block any kind of agreements over the Nile and Eritrea's willingness to support everything and all things against Ethiopia shows the level of hostilities and recent statements from leaders of both countries confirms and reflects these facts without any doubt.

In light of successful agreements among the five upper riparian countries to destroy the 1929 and 1959 treaties between Westerns and Arab colonizers, the stance of Egypt and Eritrea intensified in high gears. Egypt threatened and conducting intensive diplomacy to prevent other nations and financial institutions to deny and block funds to Ethiopia and other signatories. This is nothing new and once more Egypt chose to force, coheres, intimidate and threaten African countries not utilize their waters and Rivers. Mind you, Egypt and Sudan contribute nothing to the flows of the Nile. The Nile Basin Initiative agreement of May 14th.2010, now completely changed the unjust and unequal relations among riparian countries and neocolonial forces.

There are many factors and variables, which dictate the future directions and relations among riparian countries. Most importantly, the international community must come clean and openly support this agreement and reject the colonial treaty in entirety. At the same time, the international communities and financial institutions force Egypt to accept the agreements and work with other nations in good faith. The other critical piece is the determinations, resolve and the unity of upper riparian nations. Their untied and clear stand represents the death sentence to the savage and racist treaty and solidifications of the new one. Particularly, for Ethiopians strong and united front is essential. Ethiopia's strength, unity and development provide enough leverage and barraging power to reinforce its interests. The upper riparian nations have no alternative except unity and bring their resources to utilize the abundant resources of the River Nile equitably.

Here, the term and the concept of equity is very important. Since time immemorial, Nile freely flow and nurtured all the people in its route and beyond. The Nile brought Prophet Moses to the palace of Pharos and *quenched* the thirst of many other greats Prophets and spiritual leaders. For Ethiopia and others, there is no reason to block and temper with natural flows and only demand equitable shares of blessed River. There is no reason also to go to war over the equitable use of the Nile water at all. Egypt cannot occupy or destroy Ethiopia from the face of the earth to impose its colonial treaties and blind ambitions forever. For Egypt, the best path is the path of cooperation and equitable share of the wealth of the Nile among all nations. Threats, rhetoric and blocking development aid only embitter others and affect relations beyond repair.

The Nile Basin Initiative agreement of May 14th.2010 is the most important treaty that benefits all riparian countries equitably. This is the way forward and no turning back to that racist treaty of the past. For Egypt, instead of clinging on dead agreement it is better to cooperate with African brother to the benefits of the entire people. The old agreement represents racism, slavery and colonialism where everyone lost except Egypt. Where as the May 14, 2010 agreement make everyone winners.

There are credible reports that Egypt is preparing an army to invade and occupy part of Africa. Of course, Egypt is free to daydream and hallucinate but that is impossible task. The alternative for Egypt is total cooperation or

continue its mischievous and destabilizing subversives activates as it does now particularly against Ethiopia. Arm, finance and host Eritrea, Somalia and other hostile forces and engulf the entire region into endless crises and poverty. The present Egyptian policies perpetuate poverty and famines in Ethiopia and starving children. It is the fact, that Egypt looks and desires Ethiopia to remain in endless conflict and poverty to assert its total control over the Nile forever. However, Ethiopia desires to utilize its all resources including Nile to defeat poverty and bring sustainable development to its people.



These kinds of tragic scenes must be removed from Ethiopia

For Ethiopia, there is no compromise over this matter and no alternatives. Our people must to be free from poverty and properly nourished just like the people of Egypt. They need hydropower and irrigations to mitigate climate changes and irregular rainfalls. At the end, Ethiopia's resolve and determination to bring down poverty and enhance development can bring significant changes in the regions. Therefore, it is paramount that all Ethiopians without exceptions to unite, close ranks and defend their national interests to change this racist and colonial treaty imposed on our country without consultations and our consent. Let us all support The Nile Basin Initiative agreement of May 14th.2010 and unite in solidarity with the people of upper riparian counties and our dear Ethiopia. All Ethiopian must support our government unconditionally over this matter.

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