



**Harvard Political Scientists and African Experts
Show Disdain for Africans
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The Harvard University professor and the African experts are echoing the same contorted reasoning that has been continuously churned out by Secretary Rice first through the NSA and now the Department of State. That is, "What the **region** is looking for - and needs - is a power that guarantees stability through predictable behavior," says Bryden. This stability is what Ethiopia has sought to provide, and is the reason donor countries have been reluctant to press the government too hard."

Notice how facts and fiction are thrown into a mixing bowl and a gugglie-goo is produced. Ethiopia is defined as the MLLT regime (inspired by the Albanian communist tyrannical regime) and the MLLT's Ethiopia is expected to guarantee regional stability through **predictable behavior**, and by implication, the US and European governments were keenly aware of what would transpire after the May 15, 2005 parliamentary elections in Ethiopia. Therefore (by emboldening Meles Zenawi) it is preferable to keep the people of Ethiopia-Eritrea (and those in the upcoming ethnic states fighting for secession) going at each other's throats –through sale of arms- while preaching democratic governance. Hence to no one's surprise, except presumably the gullible leaders of the CUD and their supporters, Meles Zenawi and Isaias Afewerki are behaving in a predictable and expected manner (looked at from the **region's** [superpower] perspective).

Nevertheless, while Zenawi and Afewerki continue to play-act comical brinksmanship to distract attention from ethnocentric genocide carried out by both, the EU, AU and US are shading crocodile tears about the spread of rampant hunger, starvation, diseases, butchery and robbery suffered by the populations in the region. What the two cousins have created are two police states of, for and by thieves. No matter how hard the two tyrants are pressed (through bluff and equivocal statements while aid is dolled out to them under the table), they will not give up the ill gotten power and the wealth that they and their cronies have accumulated.

What in our judgment needs to be done is, to assist the Ethiopian people to remove the two tyrants and establish a democratically elected government. If there is no democratic governance, there will not be any stability. Academic integrity and political savvy require seeing a grain of truth and not showing disdain for the Ethiopian and other African people.

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