

**A response to Mr A.Abrha
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Mr. A.Abrha, in his posting in www.togouba.org under the topic Open letter to Mr Mesfin Hagos (chair of EDP) has said the following:

“Mr Mengheteab Asmerom, EDA’s spokesman, has repeated what has been said before i.e. to hold an all inclusive conference in March to form an opposition government in exile.”

In the first place I am not EDA’s spokesman and these words quoted by Mr. A.Kahsay are not mine. I have not said it in the interview I made with the Ethiopian Reporter and I have not made any other interview with any other news paper. The question forwarded to me by the interviewer, Mr. Yemane Nagesh, and the response I gave were quoted in the Ethiopian reporter of 10 February in the following manner.

ሪፖርተር:- ጉባዔው የስደት መንግሥት ለመፍጠር ነው ይባላል። እውነት ነው?

አቶ መንግስተአብ:- የጉባዔው ዓላማ ሁሉንም ተቃዋሚ ድርጅቶች ያካተተ አንድ ትልቅ የእናት ድርጅት ለመመስረት ነው። በእሱ በኩል ትግሉን በማፋፋም ሁሉንም መንገድ ተጠቅመን አምባገነኑን የኤርትራ መንግሥት ለማስወገድ ነው። የስደት መንግሥት የመመስረት አጀንዳ ግን በአሁኑ ወቅት አልተባለም። በመጨረሻ ጉባዔም የተያዘለት አጀንዳ አይደለም። ምናልባት ግን አንዳንድ ድርጅቶች በተናጠል አንስተውት ሊሆን ይችላል።

ሪፖርተር:- እቲ ጉባኤ፡ መንግስቲ ኣብ ስደት ከቕውምዮ ይብሃል። ሓቂ ድዩ?

አቶ መንግስተአብ:- ዕላማ ናይ’ቲ ጉባኤ ንኹሎም ተቃዋሚ ውድባት ዝጥርንፍ ሓደ ጽላል ምቛም ኢዩ። በዚ ጽላል’ዚ ኣቢልና፡ ኩሉ ኣገባባት ናይ ቃልሲ እናተጠቐምና ነቲ ዲክታቶርያዊ ስርዓት ምውጻቕ ኢዩ ዕላማና። መንግስቲ ኣብ ስደት ምምስራት ዝብል ጉዳይ ግን፡ አጀንዳ ናይ ኣጼባና ኣይነበረን። ኣብ ዝመጽእ ጉባኤ ከነልዕሎ ኢና ዝብል አጀንዳ ውን የብልናን። ምናልባት፡ ገለገለ ውድባት፡ ከም ናይ ውድቦም ርእይቶ፡ ኣልዒሎም ከኹኑ ይኸእል።

In addition, I have never entertained the idea of government in exile before and I have not found any convincing reason to change my mind in this regard to this date of writing my response.

I, therefore, am not ready to be used as a scape goat by any ill intentioned individuals or organizations. Mr. A.Kahsay or for that matter any other person or organization should stand on its own if they are convinced of forming a government in exile.

ብእግሪ ናይ ካልኣት ምሕንካስ እንተገደፍዎ ዝሓሸ ኢዩ።

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