## Child Soldier!

Simple logic a dictator couldn't understand

A fool lives engulfed in his make-believe world. That is one tragic thing to live with. But the greatest tragedy is that he believes the test of the world is as fool as he is to buy his furphies as realities.

Just recently there was an image of two under the age of ten carrying Kalashnikovs among other bare handed children walking in the street of the hometown. These children, out of euphoria and excitement pleaded with their old brothers and sisters, upon their arrival home who from battlefield engagements to rest and visit their family members once the village was free from invaders, to give them the weapons, empty of cartilages to show off and parade to satiate a child's dream of fanfaonade heroism and courage. Little did the brother and sisters of the young know, the enemy would pull off this as a means to cover up its utter defeat at the hands of the Tigrians, who at the out start convinced itself it would crash and pulverize the entire Tigrian people with its might. and that of foreign invading powers and mercenaries young, old, men, women, be they skilled combatants and laity.

When what was planned and executed failed to materialised, Tigray became excruciating hot to walk on and untouchable, the enemy ran out idea to explain as to why he met a crashing defeat; hence the drama of child soldiers!

But the enemy failed to ponder that it has become a laughingstock to its own followers let alone advertises when it cries foul that young boys and girls under the age of ten defeated the largest army South of the Sahara, equipped with all sorts of weapons, drones and Mig 29 jets money can buy borrowed or otherwise. It also failed to realise what recruitment means. People are recruited to an army in return for money, emoluments to cover day to day self and family expenses.

The TDF fighting members top to bottom are volunteers prepared to pay with their lives to chart Tigray's destiny. Money is not involved, hence there is not such a thing as recruitment Per se.

Thus, if the enemy is bent on wiping out old and young, including toddlers, what surprise would it be if a five year old feels or wants to carry a gun and fight. As it happened, where many children were killed recklessly and intentionally. A Tigrian child aware of the brutality of the invading army that he or would be killed in his or her home would be willing to carry a gun to fight to defend him/herself at least spiritually, albeit knowing he or she is underage and does not have the physical ability to do so. If I were a child I would feel that way and would want to go out and carry a gun and fight. Let alone human beings, domestic animals and fowls, not surprisingly, terrified have chosen to live in the wilds for fear of their lives from the two legged Eritrean and Amhara anthropophagi monsters.

It is an existential threat Tigrians face and any one who is able to fight would eventually be prepared to carry on and fight until all Tigrians feel safe to live in peace. But at the moment there is no need to deploy underage, there are hundreds of thousands of able bodied volunteers prepared to participate and fight for the right cause..

The evil trick to mass arrest of young Tigrians from Humera and western Tigray, first spirited to Eritrea then airlifted to the concentration camps in the southwestern Ethiopia is designed to show the world as underage soldiers captured and kept as prisoners of war. Not only that some have been beaten, their body parts removed to show that they were indeed soldiers wounded in the battlefield. This is double jeopardy. Innocent young Tigrian, who have nothing to do with the war but put under arrest and now tortured to gain publicity and likewise naively accuse the TDF in the eyes of the world and international court as violator of Human Rights. Only fools live in a house of cards. This may be sensational for a day but it will come to haunt the perpetrates the next day after the show. But then dictators do not know there is another day coming in the horizon.

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