

Adding Five More Tips to the "List"

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15 - Admit publicly to the Ethiopian people that you lost in the 2005 elections; perhaps not fairly in your *own opinion*, but certainly squarely and decisively. The world knows (certainly Ethiopians know) that the International Observers including the Nobel laureate President Jimmy Carter, had declared that the elections were fair. The recounts which were conducted subsequently, confirmed their assertion. Anna Gomes was the only exception, who is a de-facto lobbyist for CUDP anyway.

14 - Apologize to the Shemagles under the leadership of Professor Ephrem Isaac for renegeing on your promise not to engage in illegal activities to bring down the duly elected government of Ethiopia. The broken promises can only undermine your credibility to lead.

13 - Publicly acknowledge the existence and acceptance of the Nations and Nationalities of Ethiopia under the Ethiopian Constitution; and pledge to the Ethiopian people that you will work toward strengthening Federal Democracy in Ethiopia.

12 - Disavow your support for terrorist organizations such as ONLF and OLF who don't have the support of their people in Ogadien and Oromia; but nevertheless stand in the way of development in their respective "Nations". While you are at it, publicly condemn the Isaias Afwerki government in Eritrea for training and arming the al-Qaeda sponsored Union of Islamic Courts (UIC).

11 - Condemn HR 2003, which is designed to limit development in Ethiopia, and thereby *attempts* to decelerate the fight against poverty by the Ethiopian people, for whom you claim to care about. Not that the *silly* HR 2003 will succeed, but your condemnation of the same will go a long way to show the Ethiopian people where you stand on this.

(Please read top 10 items listed by Ato Menker Hailu)