

Commentary on Getachew's and Negas web postings.

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Both Getachew and Nega's web posting commentaries on the issues are stimulating, productive and focused on the common goal – democratization of their beloved country Ethiopia; they are showing us how, step by step through dialogue and mutual understanding, ideas can be conveyed. They are both empowering the Ethiopian public (at least those who have access to the internet) using their different writing styles. For the styles, they use; they should be thanked and encouraged to continue using their pen replaced, state of the art technology - keyboard.

On Getachew's spring commentary #1 - *Bravo Melesse Zenawi*. He asked a few questions on to why's of the negative writings? Simple answer – the ego of the aging hardliners of the Ethiopian population abroad. They are resisting change. Avoiding the reality and debating with their inner mind and soul – the reality and the imaginary. A mind that daydreams, like that of mine.

A friend of mine was reading a book titled “The power of now” by Eckhart tolle and offered me to read. As, I was reading through this book, I came across a sentence that read “Egoic mind has become like a sinking ship. If you don't get off, you will go down with it.” To my understanding, I believe this negative writings are not based on reality (i.e. supporting document). They are being written with the old aging hardliners of those who do not want to understand the present and the future. They will have to either change, jump off of the sinking ship or sink with it. As for my likes, and me, we will always read all web postings, including the negative ones, hear what everyone has to say and do a reality check and write a commentary or discuss about issues.

Both Getachew and nega keep informing and writing. Do not hesitate to disagree and at the same time agree on the issues that will lead to a common goal. For those of negative thinking writers, as long as it doesn't delay the progress on democracy and become obstacle on the countries development strategy; keep writing, it is informative, if not productive.