



Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia OFFICE OF THE PRIME MINISTER

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Key Activities of the Month:



December 1, 2022:- Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed received UNSG António Guterres at his office, joined by AUC Chair Moussa Faki Mahamat.

December 4, 2022:- Following the success of the Unity Park project, the construction of a parking facility had been underway to service the park. Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and high-level government officials inaugurated this facility sprawling over more than a 54,000 square meter area, with a multifunctional building complex and secure parking station for more than 1000 vehicles by the Grand Palace.



December 5, 2022:- Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed attended a discussion held by Ethiopian Scholars titled "The role of Scholars in Ethiopia" where he highlighted their importance in working closely with the government on issues of national unity.



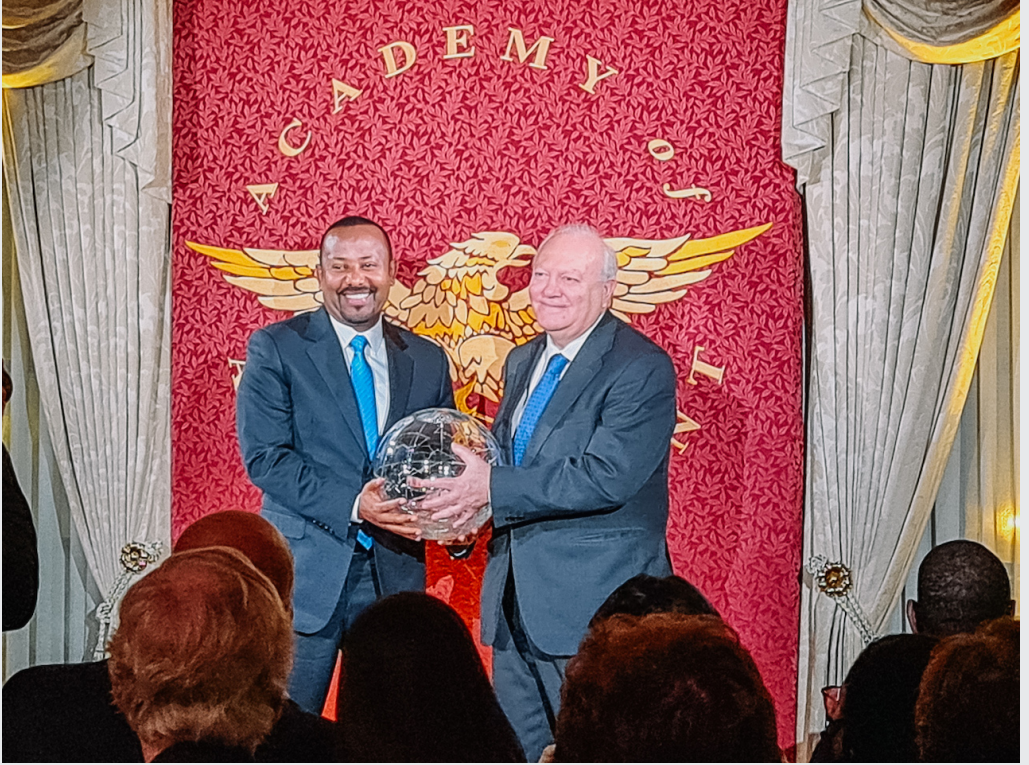
December 8, 2022:- Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed with high-level government delegation attended the 17th Nation and Nationalities Day as celebrated in Hawassa City.



On the same day: - Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed met with James Cleverly, Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs of the United Kingdom in the city of Hawassa. In addition to current issues, the discussions also focused on enhanced bilateral ties between the two countries.

Attendance at the U.S. - Africa Leaders' Summit 2022

Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and a high-level government delegation attended the 2022 U.S. - African leader's Summit in Washington DC.



As part of the US trip and on December 12, 2022 Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed was awarded the 'Outstanding African Leadership Award' in recognition of the Green Legacy Initiative, in a special event under the theme "Africa: The Urgency of a Global Mobilization" organized by the American Academy of Achievement and the Global Hope Coalition in Washington DC.



On December 13: Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed held a constructive discussion with US National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan over a host of issues including the implementation of the cessation of hostilities, the political and economic reform initiatives of the government and the way forward on revitalizing the historical bilateral relationship.



December 14, 2022: Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed met with US Secretary of State Anthony Blinken and discussed various current issues as well as way of strengthening the partnership between the two countries considering that for decades Ethiopia has been a key ally of the U.S. in Africa.



On the same day, the Prime Minister held a productive discussion on Ethiopia's transformative economic reform agenda with the Managing Director of IMF including the need for debt resolutions as well as with the President of the World Bank Group, David Malpass, on supporting Ethiopia's reforms.

The Prime Minister and First Lady also attended the White House State Dinner organized on the evening of December 14th.



December 15, 2022: - On the sideline of US Africa Leader's Summit, Prime Minister Abiy met with US Trade Representative Ambassador Katherine Tai to discuss ways of expanding US-Ethiopia trade relations.

December 16, 2022: - On this day he held conversations with members of the US investment community about the untapped investment opportunities in Ethiopia. With Ethiopia's historic reform and openings,

Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed encouraged them to step up efforts to invest in Ethiopia and its economy for shared prosperity.

With the above successful engagements in Washington DC, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and his delegation returned to Ethiopia on December 17, 2022.

December 20, 2022: - In a prior discussion session Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed had convened the Addis Ababa City Administration cabinet to discuss a variety of issues and set a direction to be implementable in the administration’s 100 days plan. As a follow-up to the directions that had been set, the Prime Minister once again met with the cabinet to review the city’s 2014 budget year and 2015 quarter year performance, providing directional emphasis on expanding the good development endeavors throughout the city and addressing challenges.



December 23, 2022: - Together with First Lady Zinash Tayachew, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed inaugurated the Wolaita Sodo Flour and Bread Factory, which is part of the Office of the First Lady's many pro-poor initiatives.

On the Same Day: - Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and First Lady Zinash Tayachew visited the Blate river catchment to witness the development of various fruit and vegetable varieties farmed by courageous private sector investors utilizing surface level water.

As a conclusion to the day, they also reviewed 'YeLemat Tirufat' initiative progress in Hawassa city.



December 24, 2022: - The Office of the First Lady, inaugurated the fourth of eleven bread factories today in Hawassa city it the presence of Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed and high government Delegation. These bread factories being built throughout the country have a capacity of producing 300k bread per day, providing local communities affordable meal staples.



December 25, 2022: - A delegation led by the Prime Minister visited with international investors successfully engaged in textile and apparel manufacturing in Kombolcha, Amhara Region, and utilizing modern technology. He advised being a part of [#MadeInEthiopia](#) movement is an overall worthy venture for any investor.

On the same day: - Following Nairobi II convening of the peace process, Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed reviewed the progress of the Peace Agreement and reiterated the commitment to peace.

Press Releases

- *Acceptance Statement for the Outstanding African Leadership Award*
<http://bitly.ws/yjKc>

- 17th Nations and Nationalities Day (Ethiopia Day)
<http://bitly.ws/yjLm>
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Quote of the Month

“If we continue to work diligently, Ethiopia will soon witness the birth of ‘Ethiopian Aid’ which will provide wheat assistance to others. We will assist those that have helped us; we will repay those from whom we have borrowed; and will assist and teach those that have not helped us”
– Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed

Photo of the Month



Spot of the Month

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