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# ERITREA

**እታ ነዋሕ ለይቲ ከመይ ሓሊፋ? DAWN AFTER A LONG NIGHT**

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## ስትራቴጂካዊ ምዝላቕ

ኣብ መፋርቕ 1978 እቲ ህዝቢ ኤርትራ ሰቕያቱ ኣብ ሓጺር እዋን ከኸትም ዝነበረ ሃንደበት ተጎንዲቡ። ዝዚኛ ምትእትታው ሕብረት ሶቪት ንውልቅ -ምልካዊ መንግስት ደርጊ ካ ኣፍ መቓብር ኣውጺኡ። ንሚዛን ሓይልታት ገልቢ ጥዎ።ኣብ ቅድሚታ ዝዚኛ ኢትዮ-ሶቪታዊ ወራር ሓይሊ ተገቲርካ ንዘሎ ሓራ ቦታታት ምክልኻል ነብሰ-ቅትለት ስለ ዝነበረ ድማ ህ።ግ እስትራቴጂካዊ ምዝላቕ ከገብር ወሲኡ።

ኩቡር መሰዋእቲ ከፊልካ ሓራ ካብ ዝገበርካን መሰረት ናይ ሓዳስን ሓራን ደምክራሲያዊት ኤርትራ ዘንጸፍካለን ከተማታት ምዝላቕ መሪር እዩ ኔሩ። ብዙሓት ግን እዚ ተገሩ'ውን ሰውራ ኤርትራ ከቃወም ኣይክእልን፡ዩ ዝብል ኣረኣእያ ኔሩዎም። ንሳቶም “ኣንጻር ሶቪት ምውጋእ ዕንደራን ሓላፍነት ኣልቦንዮ”-በምባል ህዝቢ ኤርትራ ብረታዊ ተጋድልኡ ከቋርጽ ሚዒዶም።

ህዝባዊ ግንባር ግን ኪኖ'ቲ ታንክታት ሶቭየት ሕብረት ዘልዓልኦ ተጎን ከርኢ ኪኢሉ። ዋና ጸሓፊ ብጻይ ኢሲያስ ኣፍወርቂ /ሸው ምክትል ዋና ጸሓፊ/ ብሓምላ 1978 ከምዝገለጸ፡“ምናልባት ሕጂ ደርጊ ናይ ወተሃድራት ብዝሒ፡ ናይ ኣጽዋር ብዝሕን ዓይነትን ስለ ዘሰከሮ፡ ሓይሊ ተሰሚዑዎ፡ ዓባይቲ ዓወታት ዝፍጽም ይመስሎ ይኸውን። ኣብ መወዳእታ ግን ሓጺር ናይ ምርብራብ ግዜ ምስ ሓለፈ ኩነታት ንረብሓ ሰውራ ኤርትራ ከምዝቕየር ኣየጠራጥርን። ምኽንያቱ እቲ ዝውሰን ናይ ህዝቢ ኤርትራ ቆራጽነትን ከምህ ዘይብል ተቃውሞኡን እዩ።

እቲ ዝሰዓበ ዓመታት ህ.ግ. ቅኑዕ ከምዝነበረ ኣመስኪሩ

### THE STRATEGIC RETREAT

*In mid-1978, the Eritrean people's hope that their suffering would soon be over were suddenly dashed. Massive Soviet intervention pulled the dictatorial regime from the brink and over-turned the balance of the forces. It was suicidal to confront head on the might of the Ethio-Soviet military machines. The EPLF decided on a strategic retreat.*

*To withdraw from the towns that had been liberated at the cost of many martyrs, to suspend (in large area of the country) the attempts at laying the foundation of a new, open and democratic society was indeed bitter. But, for many even this was not enough. They counseled the total abandonment of the armed struggle, claiming that it was "pointless and irresponsible" to fight in the face of overwhelming odds.*

*The EPLF, however was able to see beyond the dust blown up by the rolling Soviet tanks. Its current secretary general Isaias Afewerki, said in July 1978, "...intoxicated by the size of its army and the quality and quantity of its weapons, the Dengue may feel invincible. It may also score some victories. But after a short period of attrition, the tide will in our favor. It is the Eritrean people's determination. And their indefatigable resistance that will decide the outcome'. The years that followed were to prove the EPLF correct.*

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