## Pride n' Dignity: Independence Indeed

Yes Dignity, Defending the motherland, with Security Self relied Mekete, conformity Yes of course, dignity Pulling away yourself, from debilitating charity Eritrea's own Marshal Plan. in posterity Yes indeed Pride Despite all the barking guide Enjoying Eritrean Camel stride Again and again Pride In Gobiye's own ride Without fraud or deceit. out of bonafide Yes indeed Dignity For political liberty, stability Homegrown democracy, building blocks of sincerity No ifs, no buts, pride to have an identity To a nation that gives children, a priority A society that upholds orphans, an opportunity A nation that guarantees women, an equality A country that assumes war disable, Martyrs' responsibility Yes indeed Pride, that of a profound Reversing the battle ground, in enemies' compound Once again Pride from what a meager resources allowed Clearing the obstacles, the perimeter around Yes indeed Dignity, magnanimity Deducing the possibility Building Sawa, in a vision clarity Five Million times Dignity

No weaponry or big brother dependability

Building own human capacity

One of a kind pride
Against British destruction,
to rule and divide
Creating zobas,
To thwart regionalism suicide
Rejecting fundamentalism tide

A pride in making history
Standing tall against bigotry
Not falling for dirty tricks,
of forces of misery
Pride of the century, to be envy of
Harmonious people to die thereof
Visionary leaders to fight for
And Beautiful country to strive for
Yes indeed, it is Eritrean Pride
An Independence guide
Eritrean Dignity
An African Jewel,
Eternity.

Against all the Sanction odds, WE WILL NEVER KNEEL DOWN!

Eternal Glory to our Martyrs! Wetru Awet n'Hafash!

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