



President Kibaki yesterday received a special message from Eritrean President Isaias Afewerki. He is with Eritrean ambassador Beyene Russom after receiving the message at his Harambee House office.

Ministry states position on Eritrea

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has refuted reports that President Kibaki said Eritrea still pursues radical agenda.

It said Kibaki did not tell Eritrea that Kenya was willing to assist it re-join the Inter-Governmental Authority on Development (Igad) if the Horn of Africa State "ceased its extremist agenda in the region."

The ministry said Kibaki expressed his desire for the two countries to work together. "The President asked the ambassador to reassure President, Isaias Afewerki of Kenya's desire to maintain friendly relations with Eritrea and welcomed return to Igad."