Oromia and Ethiopia: State formation and ethnonational conflict 1868–2004 by Asafa Jalata


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This is a revised version of a volume which first appeared in 1993 with the same title; the earlier version, however, covered a slightly shorter timescale (1868–1992). The new edition has two major changes: Chapter 1 has been considerably revised and expanded, and Chapter 9 has been added: this new chapter depicts the current plight of the Oromo, who are facing ‘the Tigrayan-led Ethiopian government and global tyranny’ (Preface). Readers of Asafa Jalata's earlier works will not find much that is new in this powerful indictment of the internal domination of the Oromo people by successive Ethiopian governments. Nor will they be overly surprised to hear that conditions in the country have, if anything, worsened since 1993. The global fight against terrorism has provided the Ethiopian government with new strategic...

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