

“Politically Incorrect”: African Refugee Riots, South Sudan and the Anti-China Plot

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The fantasy of liberal ‘political correctness’ was shattered this week when a raging mob of South Sudanese refugees rioted in the western Ethiopian region of Gambella and [killed](#) at least 14 people.

The rampage was sparked by a road accident in which an NGO vehicle crashed into and killed two young girls. The victims were Nuer and the car was driven by what some have termed a “highlander”, or an individual from the central mountainous regions around which the Ethiopian state historically crystallized, and this caused the majority-Nuer South Sudanese refugees to explode into an orgy of violence and carry out their killings. While the official death toll is slightly over a dozen people, another [report](#) cautions that it “could rise further since the refugees chased the victims to the forest, where they mutilated the bodies”. 41 refugees have since been [arrested](#), but it’s unclear whether any more murder suspects still remain at large.

Breaking The Narrative

None of this was ever supposed to happen, well, according to Western Liberals and [Cultural Marxists](#) at least. In their ‘picture-perfect’ view of the world, only “racists”, “fascists”, and “white supremacists” would ever dare allege that overwhelming refugee influxes could destabilize host countries, but lo and behold, that’s exactly what happened in Ethiopia’s Gambella region. The western area of the country is hosting [270,000 mostly-Nuer South Sudanese refugees](#), despite only having an indigenous population of about 300,000. This has contributed to Ethiopia becoming the [largest refugee-hosting country in Africa](#), and it also means that there are almost more refugees in Gambella than there are locals. Seeing as how most South Sudanese refugees are Nuer, this has destabilized the already tense ethnic balance in this part of Ethiopia and can be said to have demographically reengineered it to a large degree. Under such pressure, it’s little wonder that all that it took was a small-scale vehicular accident to put the region on the edge of civil war.

Political Sabotage

Not even a week prior to the refugee riots, South Sudanese rebels [invaded](#) Gambella, killed over 200 people, and kidnapped around 100 children, prompting the Ethiopian military to stage a [cross-border operation](#) in attempting to free them. This incident shook regional stability and showed that South Sudan’s conflict was increasingly spilling over the Ethiopian border, and no longer just in humanitarian terms, but militant ones, too. The timing of both of these attacks – the rebel and refugee ones – appears to have coincided with South Sudanese Vice-President Riek Machar’s [return](#) to the capital of Juba in order to implement the peace process that was agreed to in August. Tellingly, Machar, an ethnic Nuer, was [in](#)

[Gambella](#) at this time en route to returning to his home country from the talks in Addis Ababa, and the Nuer refugee riots and preceding rebel raid might have been timed to sabotage his return at the last minute.

The Anti-China Plot

To expand on that idea, it actually makes sense if considered from a global strategic standpoint. South Sudan's civil war has served the tangential purpose of unleashing a couple hundred thousand "[Weapons of Mass Migration](#)" against Ethiopia, which itself is a very ethnically diverse and demographically fragile state. In a sense, South Sudan's post-independence destabilization can be seen as also achieving the goal of putting long-term asymmetrical pressure on Ethiopia through the planting of hundreds of thousands of identity-conflict "time bombs", which is essentially what some of the Nuer refugees are regretfully beginning to function as. The reason that Ethiopia is being targeted with such uncouth weapons of war is because of its pivotal role in China's global One Belt One Road network, particularly through the Chinese-built [Djibouti-Ethiopia Railroad](#) and the [Chinese-financed LAPSET Corridor](#) from Kenya's Lamu port to Ethiopia's capital of Addis Ababa. Taken together, these two access routes will allow Ethiopia to unleash its full economic potential and become one of China's closest multipolar allies, provided of course that a series of internal crises doesn't offset that first.

Hybrid Warfare

For these reasons, the US would like to stir up identity conflict within the diverse state in order to incite another civil war there, but this time one which would result in the fragmented [Identity Federalism](#) of the country or its formal dissolution into a scattering of tribal- and ethnic-based states. The grand strategic purpose of China's ambitious multipolar transnational connective infrastructure projects would thus be neutralized in comparison to their original intent, fully in line with the "[Law Of Hybrid War](#)" which states that the US is seeking to provoke such identity conflicts for these very same purposes. In response to this [Hybrid War](#) threat, the Ethiopian government has tried hard to foster a strong sense of civilizational patriotism in order to unite its disparate ethnic and regional identity groups, but the threat remains that local differences could still be exploited by foreign factors in order to spark an uncontrollable conflagration of chaos.

Setting The Stage

The author [wrote](#) about the latest attempt to use identity conflict as a trigger for a nationwide crisis at the end of last year when the Oromo, the largest ethnic plurality in the country, staged a series of high-profile riots in response to the government's controversial use of eminent domain. Prior to that, the author also wrote two related pieces, one for [Katehon](#) and the other for [The Saker](#), about how the GCC is planning to use Eritrea as a launching pad for anti-Ethiopian activity in the future, predictably through the provocation of internal identity conflict. The former article specifically warned that the "current tribal violence in South Sudan (could) motivate a spillover effect into the neighboring Southern Nations, Nationalities, and People's Region (home to 45 different ethnic groups) or Gambella Region that 'naturally' creates the state-fragmenting process", and as fate would have it, part of that forecast has already come true with the South Sudanese refugee rampage in Gambella and the preceding cross-border kidnapping raid. Although the situation presently appears to be under control, it can't be certain that a repeat of either of these two conflict

triggers will occur, especially considering that the nearly 300,000 refugees in Gambella could once more fall victim to manipulative crowd control techniques in turning them into “Weapons of Mass Migration” for indirect use against China.

Concluding Thoughts

To wrap up the article, it’s important to return back to its title and speak about how the weaponization of South Sudanese refugees against Ethiopia disproves one of the foundational tenets of modern-day “political correctness”. It would never be countenanced by Western Liberals and Cultural Marxists, let alone admitted after the fact of its provable occurrence, that refugees could be used to destabilize their host country, let alone when the evidence of this happening is of African-on-African aggression. The post-modern employment of “Weapons of Mass Migration” is a very real phenomenon that the author investigated in a [two-part](#) series earlier in the year, but in this specific context, it’s being leveraged against China’s New Silk Road interests in the Horn of Africa.

The “political incorrectness” of what happened in Gambella doesn’t take away from the destabilization that it caused, and ignoring the on-the-ground facts in favor of maintaining ideological “clarity” and “consistency” results in nothing more than the creation of an imagined reality that’s completely divorced from actual events. Moreover, denying that “Weapons of Mass Migration” exist actually [‘legitimizes’ “Israel”](#) and enables the use of such unconventional strategies against other multipolar countries as well. Therefore, it must be underscored that the sooner that observers come to recognize the use of this enhanced form of post-modern weaponry, whether waged indirectly against Russia by using Arab refugees in Europe or against China through the utilization of South Sudanese ones in Ethiopia, the sooner that they can collectively put their energy together in exposing other similar such plots and devising appropriate countermeasures in responding to them.

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