

MELES ZENAWI IS "TERMINALLY ILL" WITH CANCER

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July 12, 2012 — Ethiopian dictator Meles Zenawi has secretly been receiving medical treatment in Meles Zenawi. Sources have stated that the president is "terminally ill" with cancer. The 57-year-old former guerrilla fighter was diagnosed with a severe case of blood cancer.

Recent events have added some credibility to the reports of his deteriorating health. In the last two weeks, Meles rescheduled all public appearances including presiding over his rubber-stamp parliament, an unprecedented move.

Meles, who has battled substance abuse his entire adult life, has not been publicly seen in weeks raising speculation that his health is to blame. Sources say Meles suffers from a number of ailments including blood cancer, brain tumor, type 2 diabetes and depression.

"I've been tipped off by his inner circle that his rapid weight loss and frail appearance of late is due to radical treatment being given to Meles in an attempt to save his life. Belgium doctors have informed him he is terminally ill and likely has 6-12 months to live. To put it bluntly: he's only buying time," said a source with ties to the elusive Ethiopian National Intelligence and Security Service (ENISS).

It is not clear who would take over Ethiopia if Meles' health continues to spiral out of control. Sources say TPLF bigwigs are split among two factions: General Samora Yunis and the Head of Government Communications, Bereket Simon. With the head of ENISS backing General Samora Yenus, and file politicians supporting Bereket Simon, it is easy to see the potential for conflict.

Reports indicate rebel groups in the country have increased assaults on the military position after learning of Meles deteriorating health. One military clash last week between TPDM and EDF inside the Enticho district killed 43 EDF members and wounded dozens more.