

Summary of Oromo Liberation Army (OLA) activities (2012)

Special Force Units of the Oromo Liberation Army, operating in different parts of Oromia, have continued their attacks on enemy troops. Accordingly, the following is a brief summary of OLA activities in 2012. The activities will intensify in 2013.

December 9, 2012:

OLA special unit killed 3 higher security officers of the dictatorial regime in Eastern Wollagga.

Petros Negga, Elias Teklay and Bayyane Axsum were killed in Digga Sasiga sub-district in Balo area.

December 4, 2012:

A security officer of Wayyaane called Tulu Negash was killed in Shashamanne. A former police officer who was disguised as a merchant and spying the people of this area could not escape being punished by OLF unit.

December 3, 2012:

OLF force operating in Eastern Wollaggaa, Haro Limmu district killed an enemy officer Captain Iyasu Mengistu in Darbaa area. This security officer was killed with one of his assistants.

December 2, 2012:

OLF special force killed a police commander Hasan Nuru in Harer town.

November 28, 2012:

OLA attacked an enemy force in Western Oromia, Hararge region, Mieso district. In the engagement at a place called Macha 2 were killed and One wounded

November 27, 2012:

OLF special force deployed in Northern Shewa Yaya Gullalle district 2 militias, who were armed by the government were killed. The militias were killed, because they refused to take the advice given to them by the people of the area not to cooperate with the regime.

November 15, 2012:

OLF special force ambushed an enemy convoy in Western Hararge near Hirna town at a place called Rikicha Meto. In this operation 25 enemy soldiers were killed and over 37 were wounded. Different military items were also confiscated

The enemy force panicked opened fire on civilians living in the area. The people in the area also fought the enemy in self defense. In the fight between the Wayyaanee force and the people a

civilian named Zakir Ahmed was killed by the regime's army and two other civilians, Roba Galmo and Falmata Saba, were wounded.

November 14, 2012:

OLF force killed an administrator and 2 police officers in Northern Shewa Kinbibit district.

Those killed are:

1. Siyum Ketemaadministrator of Kinbibit district
2. Mesfin Kebede..... a police office
3. Aschaaluu Tesfaayee ... a police officer

November 14, 2012:

OLA unit killed 3 enemy collaborators in Darma, in Northern Shewa, Kinbibit district. The enemy collaborators killed were the Administretor of Kinbibit district Sium Ketema, Mesfin Kebede and Aschalew Tesfaye who were members of the regional police force. The OLF unit also confiscated one AK 47, a pistol and one machine gun.

November 8, 2012:

OLF unit wounded 2 enemy soldiers in Western Hararge in Doba district at a place called Batalika.

November 7, 2012:

In Western Oromia Eastern Wollagga region in Haro Limu district, Aba Moa area, Major Asefa Mehari a commander of Wayyane force of the area was killed with 5 others by OLF force. The regimes security agent called Getachew G/Mikael is one of those killed.

November 7, 2012:

OLF force operating in Western Harerge attacked an enemy force in Tullo district. In this attack including the commander of the army Major Birhanu Gebre Hagos, 8 enemy soldiers were killed while 44 others were put out of action. The enemy was unable to collect its wounded soldiers by car. It was forced to collect the wounded soldiers by helicopter.

November 5, 2012:

OLF special force deployed in Northern Shewa ambushed enemy agents' vehicle and killed 2 and wounded 3. These enemy agents were traveling to a cement factory owned by Shek Alamudin. Yared Kumsa W/Giyorgis the head of the security of the cement factory was one of those killed. The other agent killed was called Kebede who is known in land grabbing by evicting Oromos from their land in the name of investment.

November 3, 2012:

OLF force in Borana zone ambushed an enemy force in Arero district, Madar area. In this ambush 2 enemy soldiers were killed and 4 wounded.

November 1, 2012:

The commander of police force of Western Harerge, Birhanu Hordofa was killed by OLA unit.

October 31, 2012:

OLF special unit killed the head of security of Eastern and Western Harerge. Mesay Taime, the security head of the two regions, was killed in Eastern Harerge Chiro town.

October 31, 2012:

OLF unit attacked Federal Police of Ethiopia in Eastern Harerge in a place called Furursa and wounded 3 members of Federal Police.

October 31, 2012:

OLF unit ambushed enemy agents in Eastern Wollagga in Gida Ayyana district. In this ambush 3 enemy agents, Desaleng G/Yesus, Asfaw and Chali Wakwaya, were wounded and their vehicle was damaged.

October 27, 2012:

An enemy force on duty of patrolling in Borana zone Dhati district was attacked by OLF force and forced to retreat.

October 26, 2012:

OLF force attacked an enemy camp in Southern Oromia Borana zone in Miyo district. The enemy force was driven out of its camp. In this attack many enemy soldiers are wounded.

October 25, 2012:

An enemy agent called Aschalew Yirdaw was killed by OLA unit in Eastern Wollagga .

October 17, 2012:

In Eastern Harerge OLA engaged an enemy force in Doba district. In the engagement many soldiers were wounded while AK 47 rifles and ammunitions were confiscated.

September 30, 2012:

A military camp and store were attacked in Akaki town in Central Oromia. In addition to military equipments destroyed, 22 houses were damaged and the military camp was destroyed. It is also known that 5 people were injured.

September 17, 2012:

A security officer called Fitsum was killed in Nekemte town, the capital of Eastern Wollagga region. He was known with a code number CODE641.

September 6, 2012:

A Wayyane agent in Eastern Wollagga Haro Limmu district was killed by OLF unit. Beyene Istifanos had harassed Oromos in this area for a very long time.

On the same day, in another operation that was taken on an enemy force in Eastern Hararge, 2 soldiers were wounded.

September 2, 2012:

An enemy military camp was attacked in Southern Oromia Borana Zone. In this operation, 3 enemy soldiers were killed while 4 were wounded. The enemy, which is known in harassing the population whenever attacked by OLA, imprisoned many Oromos from the area. Accordingly Chachole Gababa and Dido Hana are among the arrested.

August 29, 2012:

OLF special force operating in Western Hararge attacked an enemy force which was patrolling Hube area in Boke district. In this attack 2 enemy soldiers were killed and 4 others wounded.

August 23, 2012:

A Wayyane investor and supporter, 3 Wayyane cadres in Eastern Wollagga Haro Limu district in Darba town were killed by OLF unit. Those killed: Sbihat Efrem investor and supporter of Wayyane, Yohanis Tilahun, Tsige W/Rufael and Atkilti Beyene who were employed as cadres.

August 18, 2012:

An enemy agent Abeje Tilahun was killed with his manager Tariku Beyene in Eastern Wollagga in Limu Galila district. Abeje Tilahun who was disguised as an investor used to have a role in harassing, imprisoning and killing Oromos. On top of this, he had evicted over 300 Oromos from their farm land for his personal benefit.

August 10, 2012:

OLF special force ambushed an enemy force, in Eastern Wollagga Haro Limmu zone at a place called Darba, and killed a soldier and wounded 2.

In Eastern Hararge Kullubi area an enemy agent who was harassing Oromos living in this area was killed by OLF unit on August 10, 2012.

August 4, 2012:

OLF force deployed in Eastern Shewa Bishoftu town took action on an investor called Tekaleng Gizaw H/Mariyam. Tekaleng was a Tigrian investor dispossessed many Oromos from their land specially from Gimbichu and Lome districts. This investor, in addition to the land he illegally possessed had over 100 vehicles and super markets in different towns.

In Eastern Wollagga an enemy collaborator was wounded in Gidda Ayyana district while his shop was destroyed. The OLF unit in the area was forced to take this action on Dereje Taddese

because of his unwillingness to stop working with Wayyane.

July 31, 2012:

OLF force also took another action in the same region and district in Karra Garbu area. The enemy force after losing a soldier and other members of the force were wounded, was forced to retreat leaving the area.

July 28, 2012:

OLF special force operating in Western Harerge took action on 3 enemy collaborators in Biyo Karaba district. 2 of the 3 collaborators were members of a police force and the 3rd one is a district administrator.

July 27, 2012:

Regional officials who were on duty in Eastern Wallagga KIRAMU district were attacked by OLA. In this assault the officials and their driver was wounded.

Another unit of OLA attacked OPDO cadres in Eastern Wollagga Digga Sasiga district. In this operation the driver was wounded and the vehicle was damaged.

July 22, 2012

OLA special force attacked an enemy force in Eastern Wollagga, Habe Dongoro district and wounded four soldiers. Alemu Taye, Mamo Gebre, Wondimalem Ayenachew and Taddese Baye were those who were wounded and taken to Nekemte hospital.

July 20, 2012:

OLF special force attacked a notorious Agazi force in Finfinne city in Sebatenga area. In this attack 2 were killed and 4 wounded.

July 18, 2012:

OLF special unit operating in Western Harerge Kobo district killed a security officer called Lieutenant Ahmed Nasir.

On the same day OLA attacked an enemy force in Eastern Hararge. In this attack 6 enemy soldiers were killed and 7 wounded. OLA attacked the enemy force in Gara Mulata zone at a place called Kumbi.

July 18, 2012:

The Federal Police of Wayyane was forced to retreat in disarray from Haro Limmu district by OLF force operating in Eastern Wollagga Zone. The enemy force attacked by OLF force lost 4 of its members, Fisseha Tarekeng, Zelalem Wendimu, Beyene Berta and Zelalem Endeshaw. Another 6 who were wounded were taken to Gimbi hospital.

In another operation a member of federal police Tesfaye Asfaw was killed in Haro Limu district Aba Moa area on July 18, 2012.

July 14, 2012:

In Western Hararge Mieso district, at Oda Roba the head of security of the area called Ahmed Aliyi Ahmed was killed by OLF squad.

July 14, 2012:

OLF force deployed in Eastern Hararge ambushed an enemy force in Kumbi Sub-zone at a place called Hokkola killed 7 soldiers and wounds 6.

July 12, 2012:

On July 12, 2012 OLA ambushed an enemy force in Eastern Wollagga Haro Limmu district. In this ambush 10 enemy soldiers, including commander of the force, were killed. The enemy vehicle was also destroyed. The enemy dismayed by this action dispatched a battalion to the area.

July 10, 2012:

The head of security of Eastern wollagga, Mr. Shalama and the police chief of the region Getachew Gameda were attacked by OLA in Gida district. In this attack while the two officials manage to escape, the driver of the car was wounded.

July 6, 2012:

In Northern Shawa Wuchale district OLF special force killed the regime's cadre. Tilahun Mengasha was killed in Muka Turi town at 9:00pm. On the same day at 3:00am, OLF force destroyed an enemy store.

July 5, 2012:

In Eastern Wollagga Gida Ayyana district properties of Abeje Tilahun and Istifanos was destroyed. The properties destroyed, belonged to these Wayyane cadres who enriched themselves by looting and exploiting the people.

July 4, 2012:

A member of the security force of Wayyaanee, Istifanos Abreha was killed in Eastern Wollagga in Guto wayyu district.

July 1, 2012:

In Eastern Wollegga, Haro Limmu district an enemy commander called sergeant Mustefa Yasin was killed by OLA special force. Sergeant Mustefa was one of those who were known in imprisoning and torturing Oromos in the area. One of the torture victims who lost his life was Damisew Wakwaya, a teacher from Limu Gelila high school.

The same force attacked the property of sergeant Mustefa found in Kamishi town. The property, a shop, was totally destroyed.

June 28, 2012:

OLF special force operating in Eastern Oromia killed an enemy agent Mohammed Shek Jamal in Dirre Dawa town in an area called Konel.

June 16, 2012:

OLF special force in its operation killed Mehari Ameha, a member of the security force.

June 8, 2012:

OLA and Oromos living in Western Harerge Doba sub-zone attacked an enemy force which was deployed to flush out OLF force from the area. In this engagement 4 enemy soldiers were killed while 7 were wounded. Military equipments were also confiscated from the enemy.

June 6, 2012:

OLF force killed sergeant Towfik in Western Harerge, Doba district in a place called Biyo Karaba.

June 5, 2012:

2 enemy soldiers killed and 1 wounded by special force of OLF in Finfinne city at Gullale area.

June 4, 2012:

OLA ambushed an enemy force in Northern Shewaa at a place called Kiltu and killed 7 soldiers and wounded 4 others.

In the month of May OLA operating in Southern Oromia in Borana Zone engaged an enemy force in Chari Lichee area and wounded 4 soldiers. The enemy force which was deployed to free the area from OLA operations was forced to retreat. In this engagement 2 AK 47 and other military equipment was confiscated. The enemy force as usual arrested 13 civilians labeling them as collaborators.

May 29, 2012:

OLF special force operating in Eastern Shewa killed Tesfaye Asegid in Bosat town. Tesfaye was educated in China and was working for Chinese company. He was known for evicting Oromos from their land for foreign investors.

May 12, 2012:

An unknown force threw a hand grenade on a mini bus in Finfinne city and killed 2 passengers. Many others were also wounded.

May 10, 2012:

One of the collaborators of an enemy called, Abreham Gezaheng who was evicting Ormos from their ancestral land was killed in Mata Hara town. Abreham was assigned by the regime to assist foreign investors, especially Chinese companies in getting farm land they desire in Eastern Shewa.

Also in southern Oromia in Jimmaa town, a police man called Ishetu was killed. Ishetu, who was a member of the police force of Wayyane, was known in harassing Oromos who are residing in Jimma town.

May 8, 2012:

OLF special force attacked an enemy post in Northern Shewa in Sululta town and killed corporal Tolesa Limmu.

April 22, 2012:

OLF special force attacked an enemy force in Finfinne city at a place called Hayat condominium and killed 2 enemy soldiers while wounding 5. The enemy force was attacked at 2:30 am while patrolling the area by vehicle with no plate number. In this attack the enemy vehicle was also destroyed.

March 20, 2012:

OLF special force unit attacked the military camp of an enemy force located in Northern Showa, Jidda district Laga Bari area killed 5 and wounded 8 soldiers. In this successful operation different rifles and ammunitions were captured. On the same day, March 20, 2012 OLF special unit neutralized an enemy security officer called Gabru Fikre in Akaki town.

March 19, 2012:

Special force of OLF operating in Eastern and Northern Showa as well as in Finfinnee city killed an enemy security officer and made 22 enemy soldiers out of action. These military operations were taken on the enemy military camp in Finfinne city in a place called Messalemia Gebreal in which 3 enemy soldiers were killed and 5 wounded.

March 15, 2012:

Special force of OLF killed 2 enemy security officers in Mattuu town in Ilu Aba Bora region. It is confirmed that Lieutenant Desaleng H/Mariam and Corporal Abebe Asfaw were those killed in this operation. In this midnight attack 2 AK 47 assault rifles, 6 hand grenades, one pistol and 2 mobile phones were confiscated.

March 1, 2012:

OLF special force operating in Western Hararge killed an enemy security member called Saleh Isak in Hirna town.

Februry 29, 2012:

OLF force attacked Wayyane army in Eastern Oromia in Meisso sub-district killing 4 enemy soldiers and wounding 2

February 3, 2012:

OLF unit killed a member of Federal Police in Eastern Hararge region in Meissoo town. The notorious member of Federal Police called Shimelis was known to the people of the town, in his stand against the demand of the people and for his firm stand in supporting the Wayyane regime.

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January 29, 2012:

OLF special unit operating in Western Hararge Region neutralized an enemy agent called Abdalla Usman.

January 23, 2012:

OLF squad attacked members of the Wayyane Police force and Cadres who called the residents of Maggananga area (Kebele 12 and 13) to agitate them on land policy of the regime. By the action taken by special unit of OLF in Finfinnee the police force and cadres who were trying to address the people escaped with heavy casualties.