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Detected grammatical and misspelling errors are indicated in the attached file.

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- First of all, congratulations on a well-structured article with a good bibliography.
- There are two points that I would like to point out and leave to the author's discretion.

o Somewhere in the text, I think we should see some data on Ethiopia's military power. Maybe Global Firepower Index etc. could be used. The number of troops could be given in comparison with other powers in Africa and the region. Although the article is about peacekeeping, I think the transformation of defense into a diplomatic tool should also be related to the prestige, power and capabilities of the military and this should be clearly seen in the article.

o Particularly when talking about the aftermath of 9/11, I think the definition of "anchor state" in The National Security Strategy of the United States of America (2002) should be mentioned and the importance of Ethiopia in regional security should be underlined. I also recall that the Foreign Affairs and National Security Policy and Strategy Document issued by the Ethiopian government in 2002 also included statements in the context of regional security and peace.
