THE CHAMPAGNE PROBLEM; PARTIAL SOLUTION

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For those just tuning in, permit me explain. When Senator Meds Yeghern was campaigning for the presidential nomination of the Dummycrat Party, in 2008, he was very vocal about his love of the Armenians and his unequivocal acceptance of the historic fact of the Armenian Genocide and that when elected he would firmly announce it. The Armenians in America were so ecstatic and vocal in their support that I succumbed (despite my distrust of politicians, in general, and presidents, in particular) so I put a bottle of Champagne in the refrigerator in anticipation of that joyous day. When nominee Meds Yeghern won the election in November 2008, the Armenians were so elated and their songs of praise and their dancing in the streets set off seismographs around the world, I was swept up, and I put another bottle of Champagne in the refrigerator––vowing to get well and truly drunk for the first time in my life.
As we all know, President Meds Yeghern turned out to be what I termed "The Liar, Mark 3" (One and Two being Presidents Clinkhead and The Idiot.)

However, I have decided to drink one bottle, as a result of the French decision. Note that I said "have decided," and not "have drunk." That is for two reasons. The first is that never having been drunk before, I am not sure how long it will take for me to sober up, so I should wait till the weekend; there are some things that I have to do--this essay, for one.

The second reason is that a friend who writes a food column for a local publication has published his favorite recipe for brisket. So, I have decided to try it and drink the Champagne with it.

Why only one bottle, why not both, you may ask.

Obviously, the French action is worthy of a bottle of Champagne. (Historians may recall that when Henri of Navarre converted to Catholicism to become King Henri IV, he said, "Paris is worth a Mass." This is my version.)

Since it is unlikely that President Meds Yeghern will live up to his promise, even in this election year, I am keeping the other bottle to see what further discomfort the French decision will have on

Turkey. So far, the reaction has been a delight to observe. Of course, too, there is the reaction of President Meds Yeghern and Secretary of State hiLiar Clinkhead (who, when a Senator, was full of love for the Armenians and also. . .never mind) yet to come.

It is my guess that Turkey will take out its anger on the US. After all, what good is having the US as a poodle if it won't bark now and then at other countries? You will recall that when Clinkhead was confirmed as Secretary of State, she was immediately summoned to Ankara to receive her instructions in matters-Armenian, matters-Cypriot, and matters-Greek.

And, let us not forget that shortly after Meds Yeghern entered the Oval Office, he announced that he would be going to the G-20 meeting in London, in March, and to the NATO conference, in Brussels, in April. He, too, was then summoned to Ankara to get his instructions on matters-Armenian, matters-Cypriot, matters-Greek. We all know what happened (or did not happen) later that month.

I am sure that Ankara wants to be sure that if the Genocide Recognition Bill comes up again in the American Congress, the obedient pair will do their dance.

Since the French action now pretty much means that Turkey's accession to the European Union is dead––its chances were slim since it announced that if Cyprus takes the rotating presidency in July, Turkey would cease dealings with the EU (has anyone ever commented on the arrogance of an applicant dictating to the organization it wants to join?)––I have a suggestion for President Meds Yeghern: Try to get Turkey to become the 51st American State. I suggested this when The Idiot was president, but nothing came of it. I think I will return to it, after we see what Turkey does/says/threatens next.

If I recall correctly the bottle on the left is the older of the two. I hope that 2008 was a good year; 2012 is turning out to be.