A New Flower

In the foothills of the charming Entoto Mountains
You sprawl as a cute commercial and cultural hub
A New Flower whose anthers are in the millions
You are a Flower whose nectar none can snub!

In historical, diplomatic and political terms--
You are the real deal, talk of Africa’s centre
The presence of the African Union confirms
Addis Ababa, I see tourists and florists enter!

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