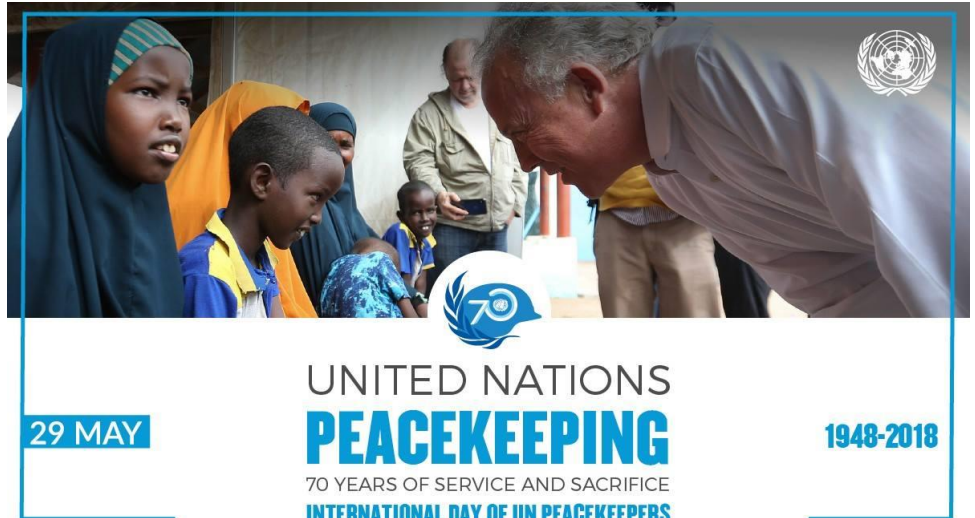




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The NPM: Somalia's New Policing Model

## Police steps up during flooding

In April and May, floods all over Somalia cost lives and caused considerable damage to private and public property

**Somalia** – Heavy “Gu” rainfall starting already in March lead to widespread flooding all over Somalia. Following publications of the “Famine Early Warning System Network (FEWS NET)”, a USAID-funded activity, and the “Food Security and Nutrition Analysis Unit – Somalia (FSNAU)”, heavy rainfall in Somalia and Ethiopian highlands led to a rapid upsurge of river levels causing heavy flooding along the Shabelle River in central and the Juba River in south Somalia. In addition, the heavy rainfalls also cause flash flooding in various location including some in northern Somalia. In many regions the

total quantity of rainfall received during the first two months of the season is the highest on record. The flooding has led to fatalities, massive displacement and damage to infrastructure and cropland. Early May estimates assume that more than 700.000 people need support or assistance, a number that is very likely to increase. Thus, the affected federal and state government ministries were extremely committed to organize an appropriate response. One existing organization to utilize while responding is the respective police service. The agreement on Somalia’s **NEW POLICING MODEL** determines



as one of many tasks of State Police services “to provide assistance and relief in case of public and private disaster”. While assisting the population, police in the same time was directly affected as parts of police premises were washed away and equipment was damaged. Despite the tragic effects of the flooding, FEWS NET expects soon as well positive developments as “the heavy rainfall marks the end of prolonged drought across much of the country and is supporting crop development and the regeneration of pasture and water resources”.

# JOINT VISIT TO THE SPF MARITIME POLICE UNIT (MPU) AT THE PORT OF MOGADISHU

On 21<sup>st</sup> May, UNSOM Police together with Director ROLSIG and UNODC visited the SPF Maritime Police Unit (MPU). The delegation met with the Commander, who briefed on the unit's key accomplishments, objectives and challenges. Trained and mentored by UNODC and with support from EUCAP, the MPU currently undertakes basic maritime policing functions using six boats that have been provided by UNODC and the UAE. The MPU is comprised of 64 officers, nine of whom are women. In alignment with the **NEW POLICING MODEL**, the MPU in Mogadishu will be one of the six future maritime police units.



## High-level meeting at SPF Headquarters

**Mogadishu** - On 30<sup>th</sup> May, SPF Commissioner Bashir hosted a high-level meeting of representatives from the MoIS, EU, UNDP, the International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Bureau (INL) as well as the UNSOM and AMISOM Police Commissioners. The group exchanged on the status of the Federal Police Plan and the prioritized activities emerging from the first draft to be funded through the Joint Police Program. Another point of discussion was the development of an integration policy setting criteria for the incorporation of regional forces into security institutions foreseen in the National Security Architecture. All participants agreed that it is urgent to develop a leadership and management program to raise the “next generation of leaders”. After the meeting in the SPF Headquarters, the group visited the location selected for the erection of barracks for one company Federal Darwish.

## Somali Police coordination structure and CAS-bodies aligned

**Somalia** – On 10<sup>th</sup> May, the Somali Technical Working Group (STWG), formally known as the Joint Technical Committee, chaired by the police desk officer of the MoIS, Mr. Bashir Gabiow, met in Mogadishu. The FGS MoIS and SPF as well as all five FMS were represented in the meeting. The main discussion point was the alignment of priorities emerging from the police plans to be presented to the Executive Board of the upcoming Joint Police Program. Regarding the implementation of the **NEW POLICING MODEL**, all parties

expressed their common interest to finally launch an action oriented approach. As foreseen in the Terms of References of the PPDB, all FMS will nominate participants for the monthly meetings. As results of this well-functioning federal-/inter-state coordination mechanism on policing, all findings were presented by the MoIS in the meeting of the CAS 2b Steering Committee on 13<sup>th</sup> May. The presentation informed also, inter alia, about the status of the “ORA” of regional forces and the UNDP-supported capacity building program in the MoIS.

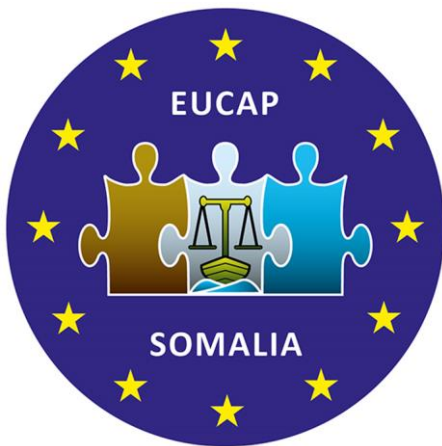


# Explosive Ordnance Disposal is key capacity

Somalia / Beletweyne – On 23<sup>rd</sup> May, the D/PC of the HirShabelle State Police together with

representatives from AMISOM, UNSOM and Dynasafe Group attended the closing ceremony of an eight-week training program for the SNA and two SPF from the EOD Unit in Beletweyne. The participants were trained by experts from UNMAS-Beletweyne in road search techniques to locate explosive ordnance, how to use remote operating vehicles, and to isolate and destroy *in situ* devices. State Police Plans are all containing

chapters on state level EOD while the discussion is yet to be started in the Somali Police coordination bodies, if EOD should be a service delivered by the Federal Police or if existing teams should be transferred to State Police services. As EOD capacities are a key element of the transition implementation plans, UNMAS agreed to support on strategic and planning level to ensure sufficient EOD coverage in Somalia.



## EUCAP trains Radio Operators in Puntland

**Garowe** – EUCAP Somalia is preparing a short-term training for the Radio Room Operators of the Puntland State Police in Garowe. The program was designed in close cooperation with the Puntland State Police Director of Radio Communication and the Director of Training. The aim of the training is to give in-depth knowledge about communication by radio and to transfer this technical

knowledge into handling sequences when using the system. Currently there are 21 radios in use. Technical failures of some equipment will be tackled jointly by EUCAP and UNSOM Police. The installation of radio rooms is a vital prerequisite for establishing basic police service delivery. Plans on the implementation of the **NEW POLICING MODEL** are referring in the respective chapters on this important function.

## ASWJ Police planned to be reflected in GSPP update

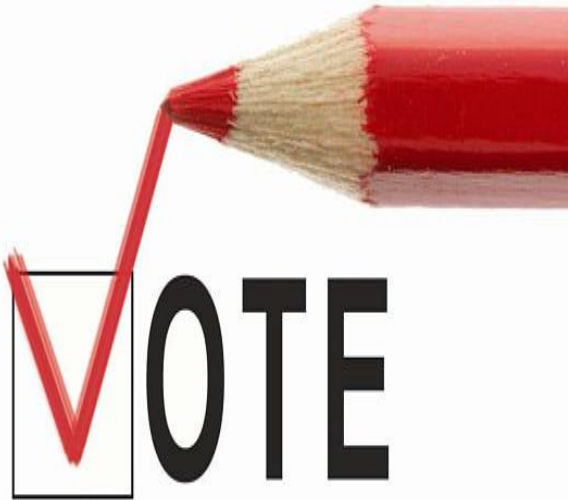
**Galmudug** - On 24<sup>th</sup> June, the Galmudug State focal point for security met UNSOM Police and political section to exchange on the Operational Readiness Assessment of the regional forces and to discuss the involvement of the Ahlu Sunna Waljama'a (ASWJ) Police in the Galmudug State Police Plan. As agreed during a field visit to Dhusamareb in February 2018, UNSOM Police will support the update of

the Galmudug State Police Plan (GSPP) and the integration of ASWJ representatives in the Galmudug TC NPM. Firstly, a workshop will convene police representatives from both parties to discuss the update of the State Police plan and the TC NPM. Secondly a workshop will acknowledge the updated plan and present it to the community in Dhusamareb for final endorsement. This activity might go hand in hand with the annual outreach campaign which was agreed to be carried out in each of the Federal Member States to inform the population about the state of affairs regarding the implementation of the **NEW POLICING MODEL**.

## TRAINED SWS INVESTIGATORS COMMENCING DUTIES IN BAIDOA

**Baidoa** – Twenty investigators of the South West State Police recently finalized their extensive training program delivered by experts from Bancroft Global Development as part of the US Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs' (INL) support program for Federal CID and State Police CIU. Bancroft mentors were now visiting the staff on the ground in Baidoa and installed processes to support the SWS Police CIU in regard to forensics. UNSOM and AMISOM Police together with the implementing partner are supporting the SWS Police in establishing the State Police CIU according to the endorsed police plan.

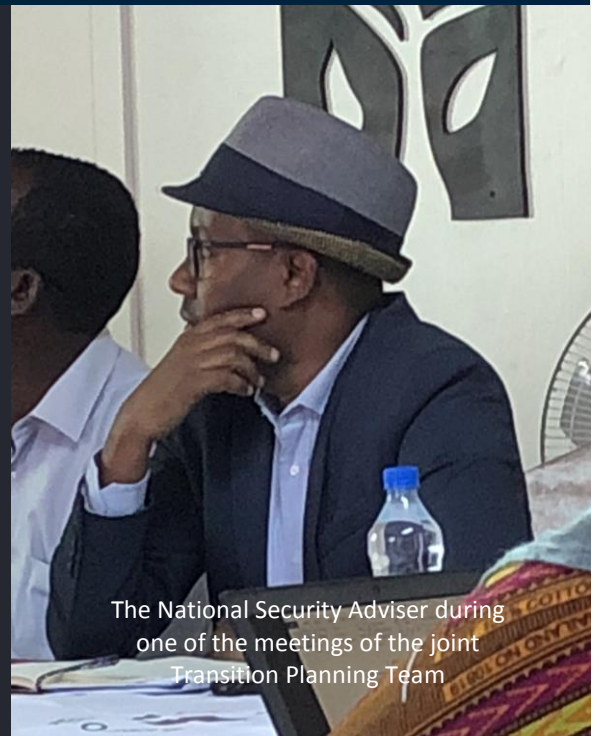
# Preparations for elections already starting



**Somalia** – On 17 May, an “Electoral Need Assessment Mission” was carried out in South West State. The delegation was coming from NY and Mogadishu and interacted with the SWS President and AMISOM Sector Commander, with representatives from OCHA, UK SST, UNSOM OIC Head of Office, UNSOM Police, HR and PAMG, UNDSS and AMISOM Police as well as national staff. The “one person, one vote” set-up of elections in 2020/2021 will cause security implications and requires detailed security plans jointly developed by the responsible security services. Due to the nature of the security operation, police will have to take over the leading role but will need assistance from other forces and services. The provision of election security is already mentioned in State Police plans. The HirShabelle State Police plan on the implementation of the **NEW POLICING MODEL**, as an example, is stating that the “State Police will ensure the security and public order as well as the integrity of electoral processes and the security of its actors. The service will plan security operations related to an electoral process with foresight, inform and train personnel accordingly and act politically neutral, transparent [...], communicative [...] consistent [...] and co-operative”.

## Positive feedback on the Transition Implementation Plan

**Brussels / Mogadishu** – On 10<sup>th</sup> May, the National Security Advisor reported from the very positive outcome of the recent conference in Brussels regarding the Transition Implementation Plan and stressed again the importance of comprehensiveness and inclusiveness while planning security transfers at the Mogadishu Stadium and at the road from Mogadishu to Baidoa including the village of Leego. A week after the police plans, developed under the coordination of the FGS MoS together with the SPF (for Mogadishu Stadium) and SWS MoS (for the road Mogadishu to Baidoa), were presented to military and stabilization actors. In a follow-up exercise it was achieved that all police activities were as well costed. In the course of the meeting, the NSA already announced the next badge of priorities to be planned for which are: (1) The security transfer at the road from Mogadishu to Beletweyne, (2) same at the road from Mogadishu to Baraawe, (3) the security at strategic bridges in Jubaland and (4) the identification of stabilization activities in Puntland and Galmudug.



The National Security Adviser during one of the meetings of the joint Transition Planning Team

