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Security Conference took place

Development of the Somali Police was widely recognized by national and international conference attendees

Mogadishu - On 04 December, the Somalia Security Conference convened in Mogadishu. The conference was opened by the Federal President of Somalia and chaired by the Prime Minister. The Presidents of all Federal Member States as well as the Mayor of the Banadiir Regional Administration were present. The Conference took stock of progress since the London Somalia Conference in May 2017 and agreed on the need for a Somali-led security transition from AMISOM to Somali security forces and services and highlighted sources of financing for the Somali Security Sector. The conference's communique further stated: "Four National Security Council meetings have taken place and participants welcomed the decisions made at the National Security Council on 3 December 2017 which approved the National Security Architecture Implementation Plan, State Police Plans and the Justice and Corrections Model." Conference participants also placed emphasis on



on the need for a plan setting out the strategy and milestones for transition to be developed immediately. National and international conference attendees praised the development of the Somali Police services and the coordination by the Ministry of Internal Security of the Federal Government of Somalia carried out in various bodies as foreseen in the agreement on the New Policing Model.

PARLIAMENTARY SECURITY COMMITTEE UPDATED ON SWS POLICE PLAN

Baidoa – On 13 December, the SWS Technical Committee NPM met representatives from the SWS parliamentary Security Committee, UNSOM and AMISOM Police as well as UNDP. The participants discussed the status and the content of the South West State Police Plan. It was decided to meet again to give the participants the chance to study the document in detail and to give additional inputs. The main agenda item for the upcoming meeting will be to design the implementation process of the plan in 2018.



PSPP validated in Garowe

Garowe - The Puntland Ministry of Security organized a validation workshop on the Puntland State Police Plan (PSPP). The Vice President of Puntland officially launched the event. In attendance were the Minister of Security & DDR, the Minister of Women Development and Family Affairs, the Chairman of the Security Committee of Puntland Parliament. Acting Head of UNSOM Area Office, the Acting Puntland PC and other dignitaries including elders, representatives from women and youth groups, approx. 20 senior Puntland Police Officers, UNSOM Police, UNDP and EUCAP Somalia. The PSPP was presented by the Technical Adviser of MoS & DDR, who will also work on the implementation of the plan in the near future, supported by UNSOM Police and other international counterparts. The presentation was widely welcomed and all participants mutual agreed to move on with the implementation. The event was supported by UNOPS through the Non-Lethal Support Package.

First outreach workshop on a Police Plan in Galmudug

Adaado – From 07 to 09 December, the Galmudug State Minister of Security and the Galmudug Technical Committee for the New Policing Model held a community outreach workshop to discuss the Galmudug State Police Plan. More than two hundred representatives inter alia from women and youth associations, the business community and elders attended the workshop. The participants discussed the delivery of basic police services, civilian oversight and other topics aimed at strengthening the relationship

between the police and the community. The Galmudug Minister of Finance closed the event in presence of other members of the cabinet. The Galmudug State Police Plan will be amended to reflect the outcome of the discussions and will be then signed by the President of Galmudug. The event was organized with support of UNSOM and UNDP using Japanese funding. The workshop was the first of its kind and experiences made are useful for similar activities planned by other FMS.



Consultative forum on Jubaland State Police Plan

Kismayo – From 16 to 18 December, the Jubaland Ministry of Security organized a consultative forum on the Jubaland State Police Plan for the New Policing Model in Kismayo, Lower Juba. The forum which was held with the support of UNDP was opened by the Jubaland State Minister for Security, Hon. Mohamed Abdi Khalil. About two hundred participants representing various State ministries, traditional elders, the police, civil societies and NGO's across Jubaland attended. A brief presentation on the background and progress of the Jubaland State Police Plan was made by the Jubaland Technical Committee for the implementation of the New Policing Model. Further presentations were made and were followed by plenary discussions. Participants were given the opportunity to make suggestions and recommendations to be implemented in the plan.



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Galmudug officials met UNSOM Police

Mogadishu – The State Minister of Security and the focal persons of the Technical Committee NPM (TC) of Galmudug met with UNSOM Police and the UNSOM Political Affairs and Mediation Group to discuss the need for an Operational Readiness Assessment. The Galmudug officials requested international support to timely conduct the assessment of both Galmudug Police and Ahlu Sunna Wal Jama'a which would support an integration process of the two forces. The State Minister also appreciated the usefulness of the UNsupported public consultation of the State Police Plan in bridging the gap between the police and people (see page 2). Lastly, two laptops and one printer, procured under the nonlethal support by the Government of Germany for each of the various Technical Committees, were handed over for the use by the Galmudug TC.

UNSOM met HirShabelle President to discuss the way forward **Mogadishu** – UNSOM Police Commissioner together with UNSOM Head of HirShabelle Office and other ROLSIG representatives met with HE Mohamed Abdi Ware, President of HirShabelle State, and his team of dignitaries including the Vice President of HirShabelle State, Ministers of Planning and Labour, State Minister of the Presidency and the Chief of Staff to the President. At the meeting the President highlighted the vital role of police in the State's internal security and also commended HirShabelle administration for developing their state police plan. The Police Commissioner presented a project compilation based on the State Police Plan to the President and encouraged him to prioritise those projects expected for 2018 as well as those in the subsequent years to achieve a clearer picture for donors.

TRAINING OF HIRSHABELLE POLICE WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN JOWHAR **Jowhar** – The President of HirShabelle State has identified a site in Jowhar to put up makeshift structures for the training of 400 new recruits whose vetting process will be supported by NISA and clan elders to employ the required personnel. The recruitment will be the first project extracted literally from the HirShabelle State Police Plan. The President stated further that this plan is the state's insurance policy against violence and made its implementation his highest priority.

Acting SPF Commissioner met UNSOM Police Commissioner



Mogadishu – On 11 December, the Acting SPF Commissioner Muktar Husen Afrah and the UNSOM Police Commissioner Christoph Buik met in a very cordial atmosphere to discuss the upcoming cooperation on the most urgent tasks related to the further development of the Somali Police. Both Police Commissioners exchanged on the need for the establishment of a Technical Committee to implement the New Policing Model at the federal level and in Banadiir/Mogadishu. The Acting SPF Police Commissioner expressed the desire to forge ahead with the implementation of the NPM in line with the Provisional Constitution and to look at opportunities to strengthen security and policing in Somalia at both levels. He agreed to deliver two hundred sets of uniforms to the Joint Police Patrols Team of the Galmudug and Puntland State Police in Gaalkacyo (see article below). The Police Commissioners are committed to optimize their cooperation inter alia by strengthening the role of the SPF Liaison Officer to UNSOM Police.

2nd JOINT POLICE PATROL TRAINING IN GAALKACYO

Gaalkacyo – The training of the second batch of Gaalkacyo Joint Police Patrols trainees was successfully concluded. In total 108 trainees were trained jointly by AMISOM and UNSOM Police. During the closing ceremony all JPP members paraded in new uniforms provided by the SPF on order of the Acting Commissioner. The officers will now execute Joint Police Patrols to contribute to the cessation of hostilities and to build confidence between the two administrations under the Gaalkacyo Ceasefire Agreement. The closing ceremony was attended by representatives of the State Governments, both governors, mayors, high ranking commanders of the local security forces, Police Commissioners, community elders as well as representatives of women and youth organizations, UNSOM and AMISOM. All speakers emphasized the importance of the joint unit for the peace process in Gaalkacyo and expressed deep gratitude to AMISOM and UNSOM Police for their successful support activities to this project.





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