



JOINT STATEMENT
Federal Government of Somalia - African Union Commission - AMISOM
29th December 2021
Mogadishu, Somalia

Present

FGS

- H.E. Abdulkadir Mohamed Nur - Minister of Defence
- H.E Abdullahi Mohamed Nor – Minister of Internal Security
- H.E Abdisaid Muse Ali – Minister of Foreign Affairs & International Cooperation
- Mr. Hassan Said Samantar - Director General of Ministry of Defence
- Mr. Yusuf Ali Mohamed – Director General of Ministry of Internal Security
- Mr. Mohamed Abdulkadir - Rep. Office of the Prime Minister
- FGS Technical Team

AUC

- Dr Alhaji Sarjoh Bah, Director of Conflict Management Directorate, AUC.
- Brig Gen. Michael Kabango - Chief of Plans and Operations (PSOD)

AMISOM

- Amb. Francisco Madeira, SRCC.
- Lt Gen Diomedee Ndegeya, FC.
- AIG Augustine Kailie, PC.
- Maj Gen William Shume, DFC Ops.
- Maj Gen Kebede Regasa, DFC Logs.
- Col Hans Nyange, Ag COS Mil.
- Lt Gen (rtd) Osman Nur Soubagle, Advisor.
- Maj Gen (rtd) Fidza Dlodlu, Advisor.

Meeting convened by FGS – AUC-AMISOM to discuss:

- ✓ The AU-PSC 1053rd meeting's communique
- ✓ The UNSC resolution 2614
- ✓ Propose a course of actions



1. **Welcoming** the delegation from the African Union Commission and AMISOM,
2. **Noting** that Federal Republic of Somalia is and will remain a vital and key member of the African Union,
3. **Reaffirming** the African Union's respect for the sovereignty, territorial integrity, political independence and unity of Somalia,
4. **Paying** tribute to the bravery and sacrifices made by AMISOM and Somali Security Forces (SSF) personnel in the fight against Al Shabaab, and commending the contribution of AMISOM and Troop Contributing Countries (TCCs) to building lasting peace and stability in Somalia,
5. **Noting** the previous three meetings held in Mogadishu, Somalia between the Federal Government of Somalia, the African Union Commission and AMISOM on the following dates; 18th to 19 August 2021, 21st to 23rd September 2021 and 28th September to 6th October 2021 where the technical teams worked on the development of CONOPs, including the modalities and core functions of the future AU Transition Mission,
6. **Acknowledging** the need for a reconfigured mission and both parties have agreed to finalise the remaining technical work to fully realise the objectives outlined in the revised Somali Transition Mission Plan,
7. **Recognizing** the need to immediately complete ongoing work on the zero draft Joint CONOPS,
8. **Emphasising** the importance for both parties to follow the outlined sequencing activities in the UNSC resolution 2568 (2021), articles 8 and 9,
9. **Reiterating** the need to approach the development of the ongoing CONOPs in line with the Somali Transitional Plan (STP), the National Security Architecture, Comprehensive Approach to Security, and the UNSC Resolution 2568 (2021) and 2614 (2021) as well as 1053rd communique of the AU-PSC,
10. **Welcoming the AU** proposed principles which will guide post-2021 FGS-AU and these are:
 - a. Respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Somalia;
 - b. National ownership and leadership by the Federal Government of Somalia: consultation will be guided by the Somali Transition Plan, built upon national perspectives and grounded in national development plans and policies of Somalia;
 - c. In line with the STP, adherence to the spirit of political dialogue, inclusivity and reconciliation;
 - d. Respect for African leadership, the central role of the AU, as well as the retention of AMISOM's legacy to consolidate the gains;
 - e. Acknowledge the evolving threat of al-Shabaab and other armed groups



- f. Ensuring adequate, predictable and sustainable funding, through a more effective and efficient financing and logistics support model and mechanism;
 - g. Transparency to ensure and reinforce accountability to guide the contribution of all stakeholders;
 - h. Adherence and respect for human rights and international humanitarian law in the day-to-day operations of the new reconfigured mission in Somalia;
 - i. Enhanced partnership for optimal coordination, coherence and strategic convergence;
11. **Underlining** the FGS and AU recognising the need for a Reconfigured AU Transition Mission in Somalia to have a predictable and sustainable funding mechanism,
 12. **Expressing** appreciation to international partners for the support given to the AU, AMISOM and to FGS over the past 14 years,
 13. **Noting** that the FGS had submitted the revised STP in February 2021, agreed that it will resubmit to the AU-PSC for consideration,
 14. **Underlining** the FGS and AU technical teams to resume on 10th January 2022,
 15. **Noting** that the work by the FGS-AUC technical teams shall be concluded by the 11th February 2022.

FGS-AUC-AMISOM agreed:

1. The outcome of this meeting will be submitted to the next AU-PSC meeting,
2. The FGS to resubmit previously submitted the revised STP before the next AU-PSC meeting,
3. The FGS and AU technical teams to resume on 10th January 2022,
4. To finalise the technical work by the 11th February 2022.

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