



Somalia

UN Entities

- **United Nations Support Office in Somalia (UNSOS):**
<https://unsos.unmissions.org/>
The United Nations Support Office in Somalia (UNSOS) was established on 9 November 2015, through a UN Security Council Resolution 2245. UNSOS is a successor operation to the United Nations Support Office for AMISOM (UNSOA), which was established in 2009 (S/RES/1863 (2009)) to provide logistical field support to the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM).
- **United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM):**
<https://unsom.unmissions.org/>
The United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM) was established on 3 June 2013 by UN Security Council Resolution 2102, following a comprehensive assessment of the United Nations in support of the establishment of the Federal Government of Somalia. The mandate of UNSOM was subsequently renewed by Security Council resolutions 2158 (2014), 2221 (2015), 2232 (2015), 2275 (2016), 2358 (2017) and 2408 (2018). The current mandate is valid until 31 March 2019.
- **Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) concerning Somalia:** <https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/751>
- **UN Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA) - UNSOM:**
<https://dpa.un.org/en/mission/unsom>
- **UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)**
 - Somalia: <http://www.unocha.org/somalia/>
 - ReliefWeb (OCHA) - Somalia: <http://reliefweb.int/country/som>
 - Four ways to avert catastrophe in Somalia (9 February 2018):
<http://www.unocha.org/story/four-ways-avert-catastrophe-somalia>
 - 10 things you need to know about the looming famine in Somalia (22 March 2017):
<https://unocha.exposure.co/ten-things-you-need-to-know-about-the-looming-famine-in-somalia>
- **Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights - Somalia:**
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Countries/AfricaRegion/Pages/SOIndex.aspx>
 - Securing Political Participation: Human Rights in Somalia's Electoral Processes, August 2018 (OHCHR / UNSOM):
<https://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SO/ReportHRElectoralProcessAug2018.pdf>
 - Protection of Civilians: Building the Foundation for Peace, Security and Human Rights in Somalia (UNSOM / OHCHR, December 2017):
<http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SO/ReportProtectionofCivilians.pdf>
 - Report on the right to freedom of expression: Striving to widen democratic space in Somalia's political transition (UNSOM / OHCHR, August 2016): <https://un4.me/2IT7GYF>
- **Independent Expert appointed by the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Somalia:**
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/CountriesMandates/SO/Pages/IESomalia.aspx>
- **Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Children and Armed Conflict – Developments in Somalia:**
<http://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/countries/somalia/>
- **Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (SRSG-SVC) – Somalia:**
<http://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/countries/somalia/>
- **International Maritime Organization (IMO) – Maritime Security and Piracy:**
<http://www.imo.org/en/OurWork/Security/Pages/MaritimeSecurity.aspx>
- **UN Development Programme (UNDP) in Somalia:**
<http://www.so.undp.org/>

- **UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) – Somalia:**
<http://www.unhcr.org/somalia.html>
- **UN Children’s Fund (UNICEF) - Somalia:**
<http://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/somalia.html>
- **UN Office on Drugs and Crime - Maritime Crime Programme - Horn of Africa:**
<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/piracy/horn-of-africa-division.html>
- **World Food Programme (WFP) – Somalia:**
<http://www.wfp.org/countries/somalia>
- **World Bank – Somalia:**
<http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/somalia>
- **International Organization for Migration (IOM) - Somalia:**
<https://www.iom.int/countries/somalia>

Security Council Meetings on Somalia

- **2019:** 3 January
Meeting records, press releases and resolutions:
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2019>
- **2018:** 14, 6 November, 13 September, 30 July, 7 June, 15 May, 27 March, 24 January
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2018>
- **2017:** 14, 7 November, 13 September, 30 August, 14 June, 26, 17 May, 13 April, 23 March, 10 February, 27 January
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2017>
- **2016:** 10, 9 November, 27 September, 19 August, 7 July, 27 May, 19 April, 24 March, 18 February, 28 January
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2016>
- **2015:** 10 and 9 November, 23 and 14 October, 28 and 16 July, 26, 19 May, 4 February
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2015>
- **2014:** 12 November, 24, 22 and 14 October, 4 June, 29, 22 May, 11, 5 March
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2014>
- **2013:** 10 December, 18 and 12 November, 30 October, 12 September, 24 July, 6 June, 2 May, 25 April, 6 March, 14 February
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2013>
- **2012:** 21 and 7 November, 31 and 16 October, 18 September, 25 July, 15 May, 5 March, 22 February, 11 January
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2012>
- **2011:** 13 December, 22 November, 31 and 24 October, 30 and 14 September, 10 August, 29 July, 24 and 21 June, 11 May, 11 April, 17 and 10 March, 25 and 14 January
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2011>
- *Earlier years:* <http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/>
- *see also* Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council - The situation in Somalia (1989-2015): <https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/repertoire/africa#cat29>

Selected UN Documents

- **S/2018/1149** (21 December 2018): Report of the Secretary-General on Somalia:
<http://undocs.org/S/2018/1149>
Includes UN map no. 3690 Rev.10.2 : Somalia (May 2014). Submitted pursuant to para. 28 of Security Council resolution 2408 (2018) and para. 55 of resolution 2431 (2018); covers major developments between 23 Aug.- 13 Dec. 2018.
- **S/2018/1002** (9 November 2018): Letter dated 7 November 2018 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee pursuant to Resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea addressed to the President of the Security Council:
<http://undocs.org/S/2018/1002>
Transmits report on Somalia of the UN Monitoring Group on Somalia and Eritrea, pursuant to para. 48 of Security Council resolution 2385 (2017).

- **S/2018/903** (10 October 2018): The situation with respect to piracy and armed robbery at sea off the coast of Somalia: report of the Secretary-General: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/903>
Submitted pursuant to para. 33 of Security Council resolution 2383 (2017); covers major developments since the previous report (S/2017/859) between 1 Oct. 2017-30 Sept. 2018. Annexes (p. 16-18): 1. Contributions of Member States, observers, non-governmental organizations and the private sector to countering piracy off the coast of Somalia -- 2. Map showing pirate activity off the coast of Somalia during 2017/18.
- **S/2018/800** (30 August 2018): Report of the Secretary-General on Somalia: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/800>
Includes UN map no. 3690 Rev.10 : Somalia (Dec. 2011). Submitted pursuant to para. 28 of Security Council resolution 2408 (2018) and para. 55 of resolution 2431 (2018); covers major developments between 25 Apr.- 22 Aug. 2018.
- **A/HRC/39/72** (19 July 2018): Report of the Independent Expert on the Situation of Human Rights in Somalia: note / by the Secretariat: <http://undocs.org/A/HRC/39/72>
Submitted by Independent Expert Bahame Tom Nyanduga pursuant to Human Rights Council resolution 36/27.
- **S/2018/674** (6 July 2018): Letter dated 5 July 2018 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/674>
Pursuant to Security Council resolution 2372 (2017), reports on the joint review mission of the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM), conducted by the UN and the African Union between 10-19 May 2018.
- **S/2018/411** (2 May 2018): Report of the Secretary-General on Somalia: <http://undocs.org/S/2018/411>
Includes UN map no. 3690 Rev.10 : Somalia (Dec. 2011). Submitted pursuant to para. 55 of Security Council resolution 2372 (2017) and para. 28 of resolution 2408 (2018); covers major developments between 21 Dec. 2017-24 Apr. 2018.
- **S/2017/1088** (29 December 2017): Letter dated 18 December 2017 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee pursuant to Resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/1088>
Transmits report of the Committee's activities for 2017.
- **S/2017/1109** (26 December 2017): Report of the Secretary-General on Somalia: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/1109>
Includes UN map no. 3690 Rev.10: Somalia (Dec. 2011). Submitted pursuant to para. 25 of Security Council resolution 2358 (2017) and para. 55 of resolution 2372 (2017); covers major developments from 23 Aug.-20 Dec. 2017.
- **S/2017/859** (12 October 2017): Report of the Secretary-General on the situation with respect to piracy and armed robbery at sea off the coast of Somalia: <http://undocs.org/S/2017/859>
Submitted pursuant to para. 33 of Security Council resolution 2316 (2016); covers major developments since the previous report of 7 Oct. 2016 (S/2016/843).
"Annex: Contributions of Member States in relation to combating piracy and armed robbery off the coast of Somalia.
- **A/HRC/36/62** (6 September 2017): Report of the Independent Expert on the Situation of Human Rights in Somalia: note / by the Secretariat: <http://undocs.org/A/HRC/36/62>
Submitted by Independent Expert Bahame Tom Nyanduga pursuant to Human Rights Council resolution 33/17.
- **S/AC.51/2017/2** (13 July 2017): Conclusions on children and armed conflict in Somalia: Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict: <http://undocs.org/S/AC.51/2017/2>
- **S/2016/1098** (22 December 2016): Report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict in Somalia: <http://undocs.org/S/2016/1098>
Submitted pursuant to Security Council resolution 1612 (2005) and subsequent resolutions; covers the period 1 Apr. 2010-31 July 2016.
- **S/2015/1037** (28 December 2015): Letter dated 24 December 2015 from the Chair of the Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2015/1037>
Transmits concept note of this year's 4th thematic discussion of the Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations, held on 26 June 2015, entitled "The African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM): Lessons learned".
- **S/2014/726** (13 October 2014): Letter dated 10 October 2014 from the Chair of the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2014/726>

Transmits letter dated 19 Sept. 2014 from the members of the UN Monitoring Group on Somalia and Eritrea submitting the report on Somalia pursuant to Security Council resolution 2111 (2013).

- **A/HRC/25/45** (8 January 2014): Stand-Alone High-Level Interactive Dialogue on Assistance to Somalia in the Field of Human Rights : report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: <http://undocs.org/A/HRC/25/45>
Submitted pursuant to Human Rights Council decision 23/114; dialogue held on 24 Sept. 2013.
- **S/2012/74** (31 January 2012): Special report of the Secretary-General on Somalia: <http://undocs.org/S/2012/74>
- **S/2012/50** (20 January 2012): Report of the Secretary-General on specialized anti-piracy courts in Somalia and other States in the region: <http://undocs.org/S/2012/50>
- **S/2011/661** (25 October 2011): Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of Somali natural resources and waters <http://undocs.org/S/2011/661>
- **Further documents:**
 - Secretary-General's Reports:
<https://unsom.unmissions.org/secretary-generals-reports>
<https://unpos.unmissions.org/secretary-general-reports>
 - Security Council Resolutions:
<https://unsos.unmissions.org/security-council-resolutions>
<https://unsom.unmissions.org/security-council-resolutions>
<https://unpos.unmissions.org/security-council-resolutions>
- **UN Member States on the Record: Somalia**
<http://www.un.org/depts/dhl/unms/somalia.shtml>
key documents related to its membership in the UN; statements made before the principal organs; draft resolutions sponsored; periodic reports submitted on Human Rights conventions, etc.

Selected Statements and Speeches by UN Officials

- Persona Non Grata Doctrine not applicable in respect of United Nations Personnel, Secretary-General stresses, expressing deep regret over Somalia's action (SG/SM/19424, 4 January 2019): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2019/sqsm19424.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General strongly condemns attacks on United Nations Compound in Somalia (SG/SM/19423, 1 January 2019): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2019/sqsm19423.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General condemns deadly bomb attack in Somalia (SG/SM/19336, 9 November 2018): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sqsm19336.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General condemns twin bomb attacks in Somalia (SG/SM/19298, 13 October 2018): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sqsm19298.doc.htm>
- Unity and Determination in Somalia: Interview with Outgoing Special Representative Michael Keating (DPA Politically Speaking, 13 September 2018): <https://dppa-ps.atavist.com/unity-and-determination-in-somalia>
- Secretary-General welcomes peace, stability agreement reached for Horn of Africa by Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Somalia (SG/SM/19201, 8 September 2018): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sqsm19201.doc.htm>
- Strongly condemning deadly attack in Somali capital, Secretary-General reiterates full support to government for fight against terrorism (SG/SM/18910-PKO/706, 24 February 2018): <https://www.un.org/press/en/2018/sqsm18910/doc.htm>
- Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator, Mark Lowcock: Opening Remarks at the Launch of the 2018 Somalia Humanitarian Response Plan and the Resilience and Recovery Framework (30 January 2018): <https://reliefweb.int/node/2439454>
- United Nations 'will not be deterred' from supporting Somalia in efforts towards peace, Secretary-General vows, condemning attack in Mogadishu (SG/SM/18574, 15 June 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sqsm18574.doc.htm>
- Some 275,000 malnourished children face starvation in Somalia, as food insecurity threatens 6.2 million people, Secretary-General tells Humanitarian Conference (SG/SM/18516-IHA/1429, 11 May 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sqsm18516.doc.htm>

- Secretary-General, at London Conference on Somalia, stresses need for predictable funding of poorly supported, underequipped African Union Mission Force (SG/SM/18515, 11 May 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sqsm18515.doc.htm>
- Remarks by Andrew Gilmour, Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights, at the London Somalia conference (London, 11 May 2017): <http://www.ohchr.org/en/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=21609>
- Somalia's leaders must rally behind new government, says Secretary-General, in Message for Presidential Inauguration Ceremony (SG/SM/18450-AFR/3535, 22 February 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sqsm18450.doc.htm>
- Congratulating new President of Somalia, Secretary-General stresses imperative need to tackle drought-driven humanitarian situation, avert famine (SG/SM/18432-AFR/3530, 9 February 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sqsm18432.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General urges new parliament in Somalia to swiftly complete 2016 electoral process, establish permanent constitution (SG/SM/18395-AFR/3517, 29 December 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/sqsm18395.doc.htm>
- UN News Centre Interview: Architecture around Somalia's electoral process is finitely more robust than in 2012 – UN envoy (7 November 2016): <https://un4.me/2nWmPre>
- Supporting Somalia as it emerges from decades of conflict - Interview with Special Representative for Somalia Michael Keating (Politically Speaking, September 2016): <https://un4.me/2BXiBIE>
- Deputy Secretary-General hails 'milestone' electoral process in Somalia, but warns it will only work if all stakeholders act responsibly (DSG/SM/1006-AFR/3450, 21 September 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/dsgsm1006.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General welcomes announcement by Somalia's federal indirect elections implementation team on timetable for 2016 electoral process (SG/SM/17970-AFR/3425, 9 August 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/sqsm17970.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General condemns terrorist attack near Somalia's Mogadishu airport (SG/SM/17948-AFR/3419, 26 July 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/sqsm17948.doc.htm>
- Condemning deadly attack on Ethiopian troops at African Union Somalia Base, Secretary-General calls for remaining resolute in fight against extremism (SG/SM/17840-AFR/3396-PKO/589, 10 June 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/sqsm17840.doc.htm>
- Launching strategy for youth in Somalia, Deputy Secretary-General calls young people 'driving force' in advancing peace, Sustainable Development Goals (DSG/SM/942-AFR/3330, 23 February 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/dsgsm942.doc.htm>
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- Opening High-Level Partnership Forum on Somalia, Deputy Secretary-General urges strong support for building nation's peaceful, prosperous future (DSG/SM/940-AFR/3328, 23 February 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/dsgsm940.doc.htm>
- Commending decision by Somalia on Process to establish new, bicameral parliament, Secretary-General urges plan's timely implementation in spirit of national unity (SG/SM/17497-AFR/3313, 28 January 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/sqsm17497.doc.htm>
- Condemning terrorist attack on peacekeepers in Somalia, Secretary-General affirms it will not diminish resolve of United Nations (SG/SM/17464-AFR/3303, 15 January 2016): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2016/sqsm17464.doc.htm>
- Mitigating dire situation of 3.2 million Somalis best way to weaken pull of extremism, Secretary-General says in message to ministerial meeting (SG/SM/17306-SC/12110-AFR/3259, 9 November 2015): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2015/sqsm17306.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General welcomes Somalia's ratification of Child Rights Convention (SG/SM/17181-HR/5270-L/T/4444, 2 October 2015): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2015/sqsm17181.doc.htm>
- Condemning Al Shabaab attack in Somalia, Secretary-General affirms that violence will not deter United Nations from 'steadfast' commitment to peace (SG/SM/16968-AFR/3185, 27 July 2015): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2015/sqsm16968.doc.htm>
- Secretary-General condemns attack against African Union peacekeepers in Somalia (SG/SM/16881-AFR/3165-PKO/500, 26 June 2015): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2015/sqsm16881.doc.htm>

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- UNOSOM I - UN Operation in Somalia I (April 1992 - March 1993): <https://peacekeeping.un.org/sites/default/files/past/unosomi.htm>
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- **NATO - North Atlantic Treaty Organization**
 - Counter-piracy operations (Archived): http://www.nato.int/cps/en/natolive/topics_48815.htm
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<http://www.irinnews.org/country/so/somalia>