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Joint TC, CoPC, CMIS: All started!

All three coordination bodies foreseen in the agreement on Somalia's New Policing Model set up and working

Mogadishu – On 21st October, the inaugural meeting of the “Joint Technical Committee NPM” commenced in Mogadishu. The formation of the Joint Technical Committee Working Group is in accordance with Article 13 of the agreement on the NPM. This article sets the parameter for coordination bodies. Thus, a “Conference of Ministers of (Internal) Security (CMIS)” shall be held every three months, the “Council of Police

Commissioners (CoPC)” bi-monthly and the “Joint Technical Committee” should meet monthly. Venues should rotate. The Joint TC is to ensure proper coordination and cooperation between the Federal and State Police services at working level. It is composed of two representatives each from the FGS MoIS, the future Federal Police and the Technical Committees of the FMS. The chairmanship was unanimously assigned to the Permanent Secretary



of the FGS MoIS who presented draft Terms of Reference to the committee. These Terms of Reference will offer representatives of the International Community an advisory role. The Joint TC will report to the Council of Police Commissioners which in turn will report to the Conference of Ministers of Internal Security. Both of these bodies had their inaugural meetings already in September.

POLICE PLANS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE SECURITY CONFERENCE

Mogadishu – Only a few weeks to go before the Security Conference in Mogadishu commences. Scheduled for 4th December, Technical Committees in all FMS agreed on the version of their respective State Police Plan to be presented. From the beginning it was agreed that at a certain stage plans have to be shared with the civil society, other Somali partners and the international community, even if not all chapters would be elaborated in full detail. As the plans are “living documents” which will be constantly reviewed and amended, the decision had to be made at which date to go public. This was done and this date is set now: 4th December 2017!


**KEEP
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THE COUNTDOWN
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Third Workshop of Galmudug Technical Committee

Mogadishu – End of October, the Galmudug Technical Committee for the New Policing Model with support of UNSOM Police Section accomplished the third workshop. The meeting was co-chaired by the Galmudug State Minister of Security and the Galmudug Police Commissioner. The TC worked hard to make up for a three-month stoppage due to the recently difficult political situation in the state. The TC restarted the drafting process of the State Police Plan and discussed chapters on human and material resources, management of partnerships and finance. The final draft of the plan will be reviewed by the representatives of civil society in Galmudug before endorsement by the Galmudug State President. The Galmudug State Police Plan will be part of the package of police plans to be presented to the IC at the December Conference.

SWS TC includes ideas on recovery strategy into the State Police Plan

Baidoa – The Technical Committee of South West State carried out a number of meetings to shape the State Police Plan during the month of October. One of the major topics discussed was, how to include first thoughts on the recovery strategy into the strategic plan. For this important discussion the TC invited the responsible SNA Sector Commander to participate as well as the UNSOM Military Advisor based in Baidoa. A mutual agreement was achieved on the fact that any planning of recovery

operations should go hand in hand with the planning on projects to hold those areas. Stabilization activities would have to start immediately after the military defeat of Al Shabaab. Xudur and the road between Xudur and Baidoa were set as possible priority areas.

Other TCs followed the approach and also referred in their plans to the “Stabilization Strategy 2017 - 2020” agreed on between FGS and FMS and which is fostered actively by the UNSOM CRESTA/A office.

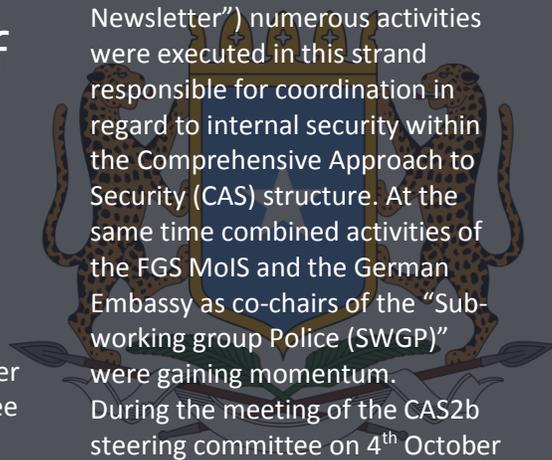


Mechanisms of CAS 2b and SWGP are working

Mogadishu – Since the September meeting of the CAS 2b-Strand (see Edition 6 of “The NPM

Newsletter”) numerous activities were executed in this strand responsible for coordination in regard to internal security within the Comprehensive Approach to Security (CAS) structure. At the same time combined activities of the FGS MoIS and the German Embassy as co-chairs of the “Sub-working group Police (SWGP)” were gaining momentum. During the meeting of the CAS2b steering committee on 4th October

the Permanent Secretary of the FGS MoIS as co-chair made clear that the number of Coast Guard officers is included in the overall strength of 32.000 but that the Coast Guard will be a Law Enforcement Agency under the FGS MoIS separated from the Federal Police. The first meeting of the recently founded SWGP is scheduled for November.



The HirShabelle Technical Committee's working group on the finance plan of the State Police service

Human Resources, Logistics and Finance

Beletweyne – In HirShabelle, the month of October was the month of discussions on human resources, logistics and budget issues. As for other TCs it was clear from the beginning that all three “plans within the plan” will only be snapshots which have to be elaborated in detail in separate planning sessions with the support of subject matter experts. Nevertheless, basic calculations

were made on the basis of the other chapters of the State Police Plan and finally as well “Part 3” of the plan gives a good overview and will function as starting point for further planning. All discussions stuck to one main planning assumption: The future size and equipment of the organization will be determined by the financial means the state can afford for its State Police service!

Officials discussed final adjustments of the Puntland State Police Plan

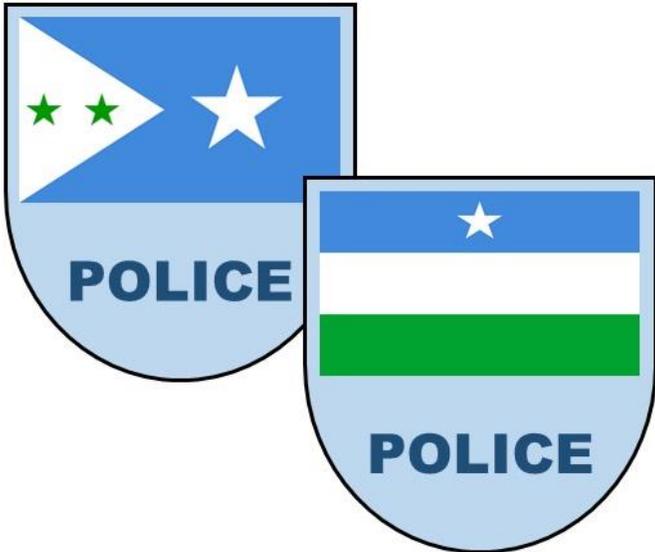
Garowe – On 15 October, the Puntland Police Commissioner, the 1st Deputy PC and Local Security Adviser from Ministry of Security (MoS) & DDR met with UNSOM Police to discuss and agree on final adjustments of the Puntland State Police Plan (PSSP). The endorsement of the PSPP was also on the agenda and the police officials will discuss this issue with MoS & DDR and the Puntland President. The meeting was one in a series of recent interactions on the PSPP and the set-up of the Joint Technical Committee and Council of Police Commissioners.

In addition the Head of Puntland State Police Criminal Investigation Department discussed with the UNSOM Police representative based in Garowe possible future trainings on crime scene investigations.

UNSOM POLICE COORDINATES SOMALI POLICE STATION RECOVERY

Mogadishu - UNSOM Police conducted a meeting with representatives from UNDP, UNODC, UNOPS, CRESTA/A and AMISOM to discuss planned and on-going projects on construction and renovation of Somali Police Stations. Participants provided accounts on the projects they are implementing including the level of completion. The meeting resolved that each agency should compile all current or future projects and share them with UNSOM Police for collation.

Partnership approach pays dividends in Galkaacyo



Galkaacyo – UNSOM and AMISOM Police introduced plans to train another batch of 100 police officers for the purpose of joint patrols in Galkaacyo to Galmudug and Puntland officials. During the interactions the Somali officials welcomed the initiative but asked for more logistical, financial and operational support to the existing joint patrols. UNSOM Police assured that UN will continue giving all possible support to the existing patrols and proposed to go ahead with the planning of the trainings simultaneously. This approach found broad acceptance. On 19 October, UNSOM Police, accompanied by representatives of the US Government, conducted a review of the existing Galkaacyo Joint Patrols Project. Police Commissioners, both from Galmudug and Puntland side, the Galkaacyo Joint Patrol Commanders, their deputies as well as a number of patrol officers were present and interacted with the international team. The verification of the facility, equipment, vehicles and manpower was conducted successfully. In the meantime preparations are underway to start the training of the next batch of officers by the end of November.

HEADQUARTERS HANDED OVER TO JUBALAND POLICE

Kismayo – On 09 October, the official handing over ceremony of the new Jubaland Police Headquarters building to the Jubaland State Police took place in Kismayo. The project, executed by UNOPS, was funded by the UK government through DFID. The ceremony was chaired by the Second Vice President of Jubaland, His Excellency Abdikadir Haji Lugadheere. Also in attendance were State Ministers, members of the State Assembly, UNOPS, UNSOM and AMISOM Police. Mr. Nazrul Kabir, UNOPS infrastructure project manager, in his address said the UN will continue to assist to improve both the quality and quantity of the police through provision of infrastructure and training. The Vice President in his closing remarks thanked the UN and its international partners for their support to Somalia and Jubaland State and called for further assistance in infrastructural development in the other regions of the Jubaland State.



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