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Statement attributable to UN Special Representative to Somalia Nicholas Kay

Mogadishu, 10 September 2013 – The UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General (SRSG) for Somalia today congratulates the president, government and people of Somalia on the first anniversary of the Federal Government.

Marking the occasion, SRSG Nicholas Kay said "A year ago today, President Hassan Sheikh Mohamud was elected by MPs in a secret ballot, marking the final step in the lengthy transition process. This September too will be a landmark for Somalia in setting up a new framework for international support: the New Deal Compact. I look forward to another year of Somalia rising, much progress has been made, but much remains to be done, especially to tackle continuing threats to security. Increased efforts, including by the international community, will be needed."

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