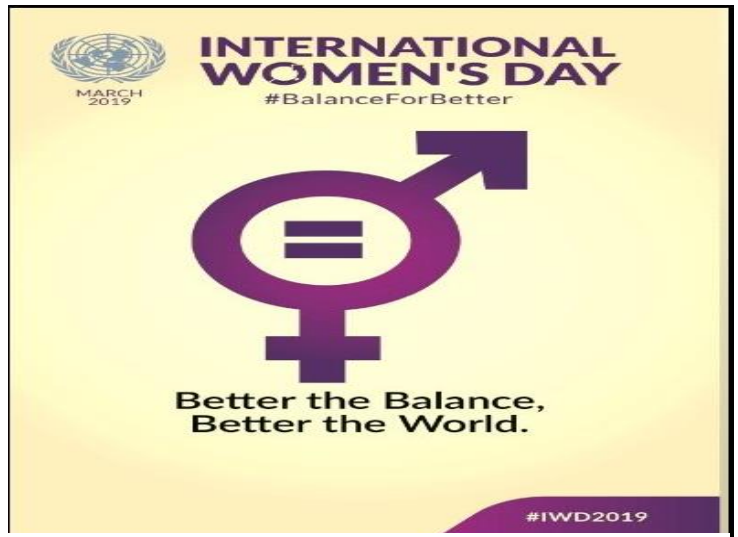




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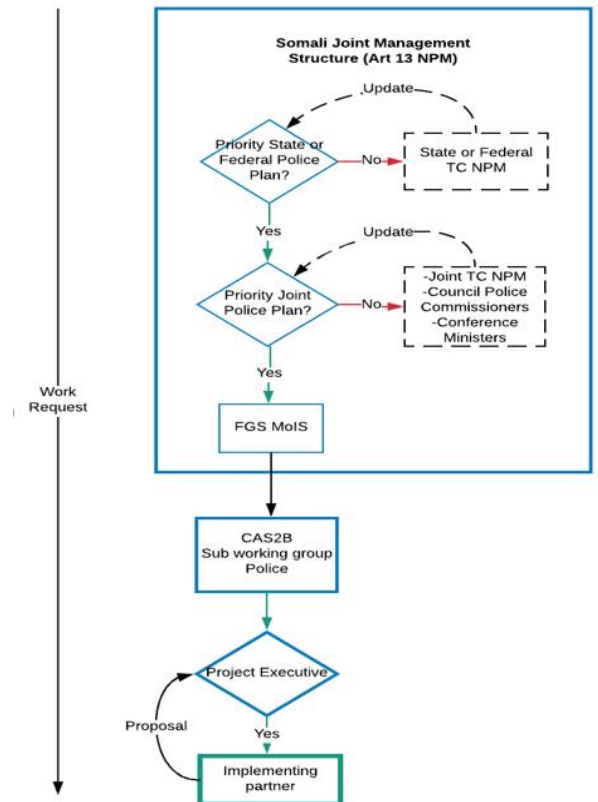
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The first Sub Working Group on Police (SWGP) of the year 2019 held in Mogadishu

Mogadishu: In mid of March 2019, the CAS Strand 2B sub-working group on Police held a meeting in Mogadishu. The meeting was co-chaired by the Ministry of Internal Security and the German Deputy Ambassador. Participants, who included representatives from the Federal Member States (FMS), UN, AMISOM and donors, were briefed on the outcomes of the recent Somali Technical Working Group (STWG). The STWG proposed that the Joint Police Programme (JPP) should consider using alternative implementing partners where they offer a comparative advantage, the procurement processes should be made more inclusive by involving the end user, a strategic plan on border patrol and immigration should be developed and branches of the CID should be established in the FMS. These recommendations will contribute to strengthening the state and federal police service as entry point to the criminal justice chain and the rule of law. The SWGP gave the Somali authorities responsible for policing on federal and state level the opportunity to share options, ideas and make decisions regarding the implementation of the **NEW POLICING MODEL**. The meetings are also a forum to discuss and introduce support requests emerging from the police plans to the international community.



The linkages among the NPM, CAS and JPP

Gender Awareness Workshop held in Baidoa

Baidoa: On 21 March, a total of 20 participants (15 female Police officers and 5 male commanders) drawn from SWS Police attended the Gender Awareness Workshop in the UN Compound, Baidoa. The workshop was organized by UNSOM Police in Baidoa/SWS together with AMISOM Police. The training was used to raise the awareness of the trainees in the importance of Gender, SGBV and Human rights.



Photo: During classroom in Gender Awareness Workshop



Gender equality and Human rights are cross-cutting themes in the implementation process of the NEW POLICING MODEL.



CRSV & Crimes against Children 3-Days Training for SPF Female Officers



Photo: Participants of SPF Female officers with UNSOM Police

Mogadishu: From 25 to 27 March, the delivery of a three days introduction course for SPF female officers on “Policing, Conflict-Related Sexual Violence (CRSV) and Crimes against Children” was held in JMTC Compound in Mogadishu. The training was planned and organized by UNSOM Police in cooperation with UNSOM Human Rights, UNSOM Women, Child Protection Unit and AMISOM Police. A total of twenty-six female officers from SPF serving in Mogadishu were trained by several experts in various topics such as Human Rights and law enforcement, the role of police in addressing CRSV and child protection in armed conflict settings. All trainees actively participated, shared their experiences and acknowledged that the knowledge gained will assist them to perform better in their work as they contribute to a safer and secure Somalia.

Vetting and Recruitment of 800 Officers - Hirshabelle State

Mogadishu: On 28 March, the second preparatory meeting for the vetting, recruitment and training for the next batch of 200 Hirshabelle State Police recruits took place in Mogadishu. The meeting was attended by Hirshabelle high-ranking officials: the Minister of Security, the Minister in the Office of the Hirshabelle State President, HS Deputy Police Commissioner,

Director General Yusuf (FGS MoIS), AMISOM, UNSOM and UNOPS. The parties recommended the appointment of Hirshabelle Vetting Committee members to undergo a one-day training which was conducted on 31 March in Mogadishu. The 200 officers to be recruited will come from both Hiran and Shabelle regions targeting Bulo Burto, Jowhar and Beletweyne.



Germany hands over laptops and printer to Galmudug



Photo: German D/Ambassador handing over laptops to the Permanent Secretary of the MoS, Galmudug

Mogadishu: On 20 March, UNSOM Police in Mogadishu facilitated the handover of seven laptops and a printer from the German Deputy Ambassador to the Galmudug Ministry of Security (MoS). The equipment was a donation of the German Government and provided on the request of the Ministry of Security in Galmudug due to the imminent arrival of seven new staff members in the ministry. The donation was received by the permanent secretary of MoS. In his speech the Permanent Secretary thanked Germany for the support.



UNSOM Police meet with MoIS Authorities

Mogadishu: On 18 March, the Ministry of Internal Security (DG Yusuf Ali Mohamed and Ahmed Abdi Koshin), AMISOM, UNSOM and UNDP had a meeting together in Mogadishu to discuss on how to assist MOIS/SWS/other States to implement the recommendations made by the Donors of JPP following the events during elections in SWS including initiation of Galmadug Training as per the work request submitted to JPP.

The MoIS officials informed that they are planning to convene the Council of Somali Police Commissioners who will agree on how to deal with the issues and UNSOM Police was assured of their attendance. This would be a significant development towards the desired status of having a permanent advisory role not only to the various Technical Committees but also to the three bodies within the coordination structure (Somalia Technical Working Group – Council of Police Commissioners – Conference of Ministers of Internal Security).



Photo: Representatives of MoIS during the meeting with UNSOM Police

JPP Executive Board Meeting

Mogadishu: On 11 March, Abdinasir Mohamed Ali, Deputy Minister of Internal Security of the Federal Government of Somalia and DSRG Peter de Clercq for UNSOM co-chaired the Joint Police Programme (JPP) Executive Board meeting in Mogadishu. Speaking on behalf of the MoIS, the Deputy Minister said that the aim of the programme is to develop and involve the Somali Police in Police development activities and emphasized the need for the FMS to take an active role to

ensure the success of the programme. He applauded the success that have been achieved, even though the programme has been around for less than a year and cited the 200 Police officers trained in Hirshabelle that recently graduated as a good example. He also thanked the donors, the EU, UK and Germany for the support to the programme, along with the FMS, UNOPS and other UN agencies. The DSRSG stated that several works requests have been approved and at different levels of implementation.

He further stated that the Somali Police Coordination Framework ensures Somali ownership and therefore is a central element of the JPP. The DSRSG concluded that the JPP is a leading example of strong coordination, a government owned and led programme.



The UN in Somalia marks International Women's Day 2019

Mogadishu: International Women's Day was observed by the United Nations for the first time in 1975. It is a time to reflect on the progress made towards full rights for women and also celebrate the many acts of courage and determination by women from all walks of life who have played an extraordinary role in the history of their countries and communities.

The United Nations in Somalia marked the International Women's Day 2019 by saluting the women of Somalia for their robust contribution to peace-building, reconciliation and the promotion of gender equality in their country. The theme for this year's observance is think equal, build smart, innovate for change.



UNSOM visits Galkayo on 28 to 31 March

Mogadishu: PMG, UNDP and UNSOM Police conducted a joint assessment mission to Galkayo to determine the progress being made by the Joint Police Patrol Unit in support of the peace process. UNSOM met with Mudug Governors and Galkaayo Mayors of Puntland and Galmudug to exchange views on the general political and security situation. UNSOM further interacted with the Galkaayo Joint Police Patrol, the Regional Police Commanders of North and South Mudug and visited the police stations where they operate. The JPPU officers seemed highly motivated in the performance of their duties and this could be attributed to the sustained stipends that are being provided under the Joint Police Programme. On a different note both regional commanders emphasized the need to expediate the construction of the Joint Police Station and Peace House in the buffer zone. The funding for the station and Peace House are available under the Somali Stabilisation Fund however the projects are awaiting the finalization of the allocation of land by the two authorities in Galkayo. The support package will be complemented by a refresher course for the patrol officers and leadership trainings and delivered by UNDP, AMISOM and UNSOM Police.

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