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UN Special Representative for Somalia condemns murder of Somali MP

Mogadishu, 21 April 2014 – The Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Somalia (SRSG), Nicholas Kay, has condemned the murder of Isaak Mohamed Rino, a Member of the country's Federal Parliament. Following the attack the Federal Government called for a full investigation and for the perpetrators to be brought to justice.

Mr. Rino was killed this morning in Mogadishu when an improvised explosive device planted in his vehicle detonated. Another parliamentarian, Mr. Mohamed Ali and several civilians were reported to have been injured in the incident.

"I condemn this murder in the strongest terms. There must be a full investigation of this terrorist attack and the perpetrators brought to justice swiftly," SRSG Kay said.

SRSG Kay offers his sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Rino, as well as to the Federal Parliament of Somalia, and wishes a quick recovery for Mr Ali, as well as the civilians who were injured.