



**Decisions of the High Level Committee
Djibouti Agreement**

25 November, 2008

Djibouti


Building on the 26 October 2008 Joint Declaration, and encouraged by the spirit of unity prevailing at the peace talks, the Transitional Federal Government and the Alliance for the Re-liberation of Somalia requested the United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Somalia, Ahmedou Ould-Abdallah, to state the following on their behalf:

1. The Parties thank the Somali people for their patience and support, and commend their determination in encouraging sustainable peace. They commit themselves to redouble their efforts towards achieving this goal on behalf of the people.
2. The Parties welcome the conclusions of the Workshop on Justice and Reconciliation including agreement to possibly establish a Commission of Inquiry and an international court to address violations of human rights and international law and impunity in their country. A joint working group has been established to follow up on the preparation of next year's conference on Justice and Reconciliation.
3. The Parties have agreed on a number of guiding principles as a framework to strengthen their commitments on political cooperation – particularly of the establishment of a Unity Government and an inclusive Parliament.
4. These include:
 - Addressing impunity through the Unity Government;
 - Establishing mechanisms that will place priority on ensuring accountability – politically, financially and morally – of the Unity Government and respecting recognized international legal instruments.
5. They agreed on the following proposals:

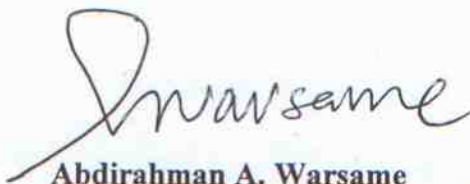
- To enlarge the Parliament by an extra 200 seats allocated to the Alliance for the Re-liberation of Somalia;
- An intention by the Parties to reach out to those who are outside the process as well as members of the civil society, including women and the business community, and the Diaspora. Seventy-five additional seats in the Parliament will be reserved to that end;
- That the new inclusive Parliament will have the responsibility to elect the new Leadership;
- The principle of responsible sharing of leadership positions will be adhered to;
- A two-year extension of the Transitional Period;
- All Agreements resulting from the process will be embedded as Amendments to the Transitional Federal Charter;
- The establishment of a working group that will engage, under the facilitation of the United Nations, on details of the Unity structures and to submit proposals in 30 days to the next session of the High Level Committee.

6. The Parties reaffirm their grave concern over the recent acts of piracy.

The United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Somalia



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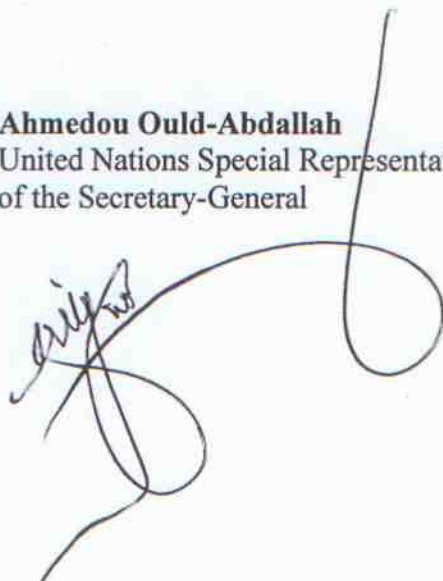


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