

## Information on Somalia

### UN Entities

- United Nations Political Office for Somalia (UNPOS):

<http://www.un-somalia.org/>

o Overview of the Political Developments in Somalia:

[http://www.un-somalia.org/Political\\_Developments/index.asp](http://www.un-somalia.org/Political_Developments/index.asp)

UNPOS was established on 15 April 1995 to advance the cause of peace and reconciliation through contacts with Somali leaders, civic organizations and the States and organizations concerned.

- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Children and Armed Conflict – Developments in Somalia:

<http://www.un.org/children/conflict/english/somalia.html>

- Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992) concerning Somalia (arms embargo):

<http://www.un.org/sc/committees/751/index.shtml>

- ReliefWeb (OCHA): Somalia – Complex Emergency:

<http://www.reliefweb.int/rw/dbc.nsf/doc104?OpenForm&rc=1&cc=som>

- UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) – Somalia:

<http://ochaonline.un.org/somalia>

- Integrated Regional Information Network (IRIN) - Somalia:

<http://www.irinnews.org/Africa-Country.aspx?Country=SO>

- Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights - Somalia:

<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Countries/AfricaRegion/Pages/SOIndex.aspx>

- Independent Expert appointed by the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Somalia:

<http://www2.ohchr.org/english/countries/so/mandate/index.htm>

- International Maritime Organization (IMO) - Piracy off the coast of Somalia:

[http://www.imo.org/home.asp?topic\\_id=1178](http://www.imo.org/home.asp?topic_id=1178)

- UN Development Programme (UNDP) in Somalia: <http://www.so.undp.org/>
- UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) – Somalia: <http://www.unhcr.org/cgi-bin/texis/vtx/country?iso=som>
- UN Children’s Fund (UNICEF) - Somalia: <http://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/somalia.html>
- World Food Programme (WFP) – Somalia: [http://www.wfp.org/country\\_brief/indexcountry.asp?country=706](http://www.wfp.org/country_brief/indexcountry.asp?country=706)
- World Bank – Somalia: <http://www.worldbank.org/somalia>
- UN Operational Satellite Applications Programme (UNOSAT) – Somalia Maps: [http://unosat.web.cern.ch/unosat/asp/prod\\_free.asp?id=28](http://unosat.web.cern.ch/unosat/asp/prod_free.asp?id=28)

### **Security Council Meetings on Somalia**

- 2009: 20 March, 16 January Meeting records, press releases and resolutions: <http://www.un.org/Depts/dhl/resguide/scact2009.htm>
- 2008: 19 December, 16 December, 2 December, 20 November, 30 October, 7 October, 4 September, 19 August, 23 July, 2 June, 15 May, 29 April, 20 March, 20 February, 15 February Meeting records, press releases and resolutions: <http://www.un.org/Depts/dhl/resguide/scact2008.htm>
- 2007: 19 December, 17 December, 20 August, 23 July, 28 June, 14 June, 30 April, 20 February Meeting records, press releases and resolutions: <http://www.un.org/Depts/dhl/resguide/scact2007.htm>
- Earlier years: <http://www.un.org/Depts/dhl/resguide/scact.htm>

### **Selected UN Documents**

- Security Council resolution 1863 (16 January 2009): [http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1863\(2009\)](http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1863(2009)) on renewal of the authorization of member States of the African Union to maintain the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM)

- Security Council resolution 1853 (19 December 2008):  
[http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1853\(2008\)](http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1853(2008))  
on extension of the mandate of the UN Monitoring Group Established pursuant to Security Council Resolution 1519 (2003)
- Security Council resolution 1851 (16 December 2008):  
[http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1851\(2008\)](http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1851(2008))  
on fight against piracy and armed robbery at sea off the coast of Somalia
- Security Council resolution 1846 (2 December 2008):  
[http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1846\(2008\)](http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1846(2008))  
on repressing acts of piracy and armed robbery at sea off the coast of Somalia
- Security Council resolution 1844 (20 November 2008):  
[http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1844\(2008\)](http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1844(2008))  
on strengthening of the arms embargo against Somalia and on further measures on individuals and entities designated by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 751 (1992)]
- Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Somalia (S/2008/709, 17 November 2008): <http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/2008/709>  
The report provides an overview of the political and security developments over the past few months, reports on the activities of the UN and the international community, and records the observations of the Secretary-General on the situation in Somalia.
- Security Council resolution 1838 (7 October 2008):  
[http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1838\(2008\)](http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1838(2008))  
on acts of piracy and armed robbery against vessels in territorial waters and the high seas off the coast of Somalia
- Security Council mission May-June 2008 (S/2008/460, 15 July 2008):  
<http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/2008/460>  
The report of the Security Council mission to Djibouti (on Somalia), the Sudan, Chad, the Democratic Republic of the Congo and Côte d'Ivoire, 31 May to 10 June 2008 summarizes the discussions held in each country and presents the findings and recommendations of the mission. Annexes include the terms of reference and composition of the mission.

- Security Council resolution 1816 (2 June 2008):  
[http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1816\(2008\)](http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/RES/1816(2008))  
on acts of piracy and armed robbery against vessels in territorial waters and the high seas off the coast of Somalia

- Children and armed conflict in Somalia (S/2008/352, 30 May 2008):  
<http://www.un.org/Docs/journal/asp/ws.asp?m=S/2008/352>  
The latest report of the Secretary-General on children and armed conflict in Somalia has been issued. According to the summary, "The report stresses that the level of grave violations against children in Somalia has been increasing over the past year, particularly with regard to the recruitment and use of children in armed conflict; the killing, maiming and rape of children; and the denial of humanitarian access to children."

- Further documents: [http://www.un-somalia.org/UN\\_Documents/index.asp](http://www.un-somalia.org/UN_Documents/index.asp)

### **Selected Statements and Speeches by UN Officials**

- Secretary-General hails dedication, courage of African Union Mission in Somalia (SG/SM/12028-AFR/1795, 29 December 2008):

<http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs/2008/sgsm12028.doc.htm>

- Give African forces in Somalia substantial, credible backing, Secretary-General urges as Security Council considers challenges facing Horn of Africa country (SG/SM/12011-SC/9542-AFR/1791, 16 December 2008):

<http://www.un.org/News/Press/docs//2008/sgsm12011.doc.htm>

### **Selected Articles in UN Journals**

- Tackling piracy off African shores: More regional cooperation needed for peace and security / by Mary Kimani (Africa Renewal, Vol.22, No. 4, January 2009):

<http://www.un.org/ecosocdev/geninfo/afrec/vol22no4/224-piracy.html>

- Another Opportunity for Somalia (Politically Speaking, Bulletin of the United Nations Department of Political Affairs, Summer-Fall 2008):

<http://www.un.org/depts/dpa/newsletters/PS-SF08.pdf#page=10>

- Tackling Piracy in Somali Waters: Rising attacks impede delivery of humanitarian assistance / by Sana Aftab Khan (UN Chronicle Online Edition 2007):

[http://www.un.org/Pubs/chronicle/2007/webArticles/073107\\_somalia.htm](http://www.un.org/Pubs/chronicle/2007/webArticles/073107_somalia.htm)

## **10 Stories the World Should Hear More About**

- Somalia: Security vacuum compounding effects of drought (2006):  
<http://www.un.org/events/tenstories/06/story.asp?storyID=2500>
- Somalia: Steps on a path to fragile peace in a shattered country (2005):  
<http://www.un.org/events/tenstories/06/story.asp?storyID=1100>

## **Further Information**

- United Nations and Somalia (Information sheet prepared by the Peace and Security Section, Department of Public Information, November 2000)  
<http://www.un.org/peace/africa/pdf/SOMALIA.pdf>
- UNOSOM I - UN Operation in Somalia I (April 1992 - March 1993):  
[http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/co\\_mission/unosomi.htm](http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/co_mission/unosomi.htm)
- UNOSOM II - UN Operation in Somalia II (March 1993 - March 1995):  
[http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/co\\_mission/unosom2.htm](http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/co_mission/unosom2.htm)

## **Selected Non-UN Sources**

- AMISOM – African Union Mission in Somalia:  
<http://www.africa-union.org/root/AU/AUC/Departments/PSC/AMISOM/amisom.htm>
- EU NAVFOR Somalia (operation "Atalanta"):  
[http://www.consilium.europa.eu/cms3\\_fo/showPage.asp?id=1518&lang=en](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/cms3_fo/showPage.asp?id=1518&lang=en)
- NATO - Counter-piracy in the Gulf of Aden:  
<http://www.nato.int/issues/allied-provider/index.html>
- Global Policy Forum - Somalia:  
<http://www.globalpolicy.org/security/issues/somalindex.htm>

- Security Council Report - Monthly Forecasts on Somalia, January 2006 onwards:

<http://www.securitycouncilreport.org/site/c.glKWLeMTIsG/b.2400725/>

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