

# SOMALILAND UK MISSION

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Somaliland UK Mission electronic journal is a periodical publication offering information about events and programs engaged by the UK Mission office both here in the United Kingdom and the Motherland, as well as the activities and contributions of Somaliland Diaspora Communities in the United Kingdom.



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The Representative of the Republic of Somaliland to the United Kingdom HE Abdi A. Hersi, and Deputy Head of the Mission Dahir T. Askar attended a practice-oriented workshops provided by the Republic of Somaliland Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Co-operations

During the training course which was held in the port-city of Berbera, the participants received core diplomatic knowledge with the aim to enhance their ability to perform more effectively in a multilateral environment, and to prepare them to excel in creating effective solution at international level





The course also offered a unique educational opportunity to develop and expand their global network, and on completion of the training, the participants were awarded with the Executive Diploma in Diplomatic Practice.



## THE UK PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION ARRIVED IN SOMALILAND.

The United Kingdom parliamentary delegation led by the Head of Somaliland UK mission H.E Abdi A. Hersi arrived in Hargeisa. The group was welcomed into the country by the Minister of Foreign Affairs DR. Essa Kayd Mohamoud, and several government officials and community leaders. The visit follows the debate tabled by The Rt Hon Gavin Williamson CBE MP, calling on the UK Government to recognize Somaliland as a sovereign State.

The delegation will meet government officials and members from the finance and business sector as well as politicians from the three parties, and discussions between sides will focus on a variety of issues, including investment, security, and strengthening of relationships. A friend of Somaliland and a supporter of the country's quest for recognition, the Rt Hon Gavin Williamson CBE MP, who last visited Somaliland in January 2019, was accompanied by Lord Stuart Polak, Lord Edward Udny Lister, and The Hon. Alun Cairns MP.



# THE HEAD OF SOMALILAND UK MISSION H.E. ABDI A. HERSI VISITED SHEFFIELD

The Somaliland Representative to the UK, HE Abdi A. Hersi met with the Somaliland community living in the city of Sheffield and the surrounding areas in the first leg of his tour of the UK counties. The representative who was accompanied by the head of investment and trade, consular Mohamed W. Boss was given a cordial reception on arrival by British Somalilander politicians and activists, and other prominent members of the community.

The Mission officials and community members discussed several issues including how to support the campaign to help our people in areas affected by the current drought, doubling our efforts on promoting the case for Somaliland recognition, and the strengthening of the unity of our people.

The honorable Mr. Hersi thanked the Sheffield community for their warm welcome and for championing our nation's hopes and aspirations whenever called upon.



SOMALILAND UK MISSION OFFICIALS VISITED SOMALILAND COMMUNITY IN BRISTOL COUNTY

The head of Somaliland UK Mission HE Abdi A. Hersi and the Consular for Commerce and Investment Mohamed Warsame Boss visited Bristol on the second leg of their working tour of the Somaliland Communities in the UK.

The visiting party received a warm welcome from the community before discussions on the continuation of the campaign for recognition and how best the community could contribute to the alleviation of the drought related problems in our rural communities followed. The Head of Mission HE Abdi A. Hersi and Consular Boss were accompanied in their journey by engineer Dalmar from The Somaliland National Television London.



SOMALILAND UK MISSION OFFICIALS MET WITH THE RT HON GAVIN WILLIAMSON AT HIS OFFICE

The Somaliland Mission Representative to the UK, HE Abdi A. Hersi, accompanied by the Community Engagement and Public Relations Consular, Yurub Farah met with The Rt HON Gavin Williamson CBE MP at his office. The sides discussed issues on the follow-up of the recent campaign events to present the case for the recognition of Somaliland.

The meeting was fruitful and covered a broad area including future plans and recommendations to further advance the campaign.



### SOMALILAND UK MISSION HOSTED AN EVENT TO MARK THE PARLIAMENTARY DEBATE ON SOMALILAND RECOGNITION

The Somaliland UK Mission office in London hosted an event to mark the British Parliament debate on the question of Somaliland recognition tabled by the Rt HON Gavin Williamson CBE MP, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January 2022. The event was attended by members from the Somaliland community in London as well as prominent figures from our homeland, including Qasim Aden Suleiman from the recently elected Somaliland Parliament.

Both the event and the debate were streamed live from the Mission Office to worldwide viewers by the Somaliland National Television studio in London.

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