



COUNTRY: FRENCH REPUBLIC

COMMITTEE: SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM: The Somalia Conflict: Implications for Peacemaking and Peacekeeping Efforts

The Federal Republic of Somalia is a country that is located in the Horn of Africa, a large East African peninsula also known as the Somali Peninsula. This peninsula also consists of countries such as Ethiopia, a portion of Kenya, Eritrea and Djibouti. These countries and their people have been living together for a very long time that it is also a fact that the first humans, the homo sapiens were also found in this area. This naturally results in a lot of cultural interaction with one of the other. But of course after time passes by and other countries start to interfere, wars naturally happen, colonies start to emerge.

The recent wars that Somalia had to face has started in 1991 after the dictator Siad Barre was overthrown. After this, the rest of the country turned to one of the other and started to compete with each other remaining no one to dominate the others and make the nation whole.

But even after a lot of efforts (before 2009) by UN such as; the United Nations Operations in Somalia (UNOSOM I and II) in the years between 1992-1995, in 2000 the establishment of the Transitional National Government (TNG), in 2004 the establishment of Transitional Federal Government (TFG), the approval of the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) in 2007, this conflict that caused lots of large-scaled humanitarian crises that took place for a long time throughout the years unfortunately did not come to an end.

As a country that has supported Somalia for a long time through their hardships, we as the French Republic have done and will actively continue to do so. Some of the things that we had done for this war to help Somalia are maintaining a supportive relationship with Transitional National Government (TNG) and Transitional Federal Government (TFG) since the day of their establishment; and also support the subsequent establishment of the Federal Government of Somalia in August 2012 and also made sure to reaffirm and politically declare that we will continue to support Somalia's government that year.