



Somalia Non-State Actors

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Background about SONSA

Somalia Non-State Actors (SONSA) previously known as Somalia South Central Non-State Actors (SOSCENSA) is a multi-sectoral platform with membership of networks and umbrella organizations which include NGOs, CBOs, professional organizations (teachers, doctors, lawyers etc), universities and private education associations among others from across Somalia.

Our determination is to see Somalia, on the path to economic, social and political stability through good governance through the participation of those affected; civil society, government and businesses. Actually, SONSA aspires for political stability, development and national unity for Somalia.

SONSA'S goal is to ensure that views and priorities of Somalia non-state actors, business communities and professional organizations are involved in policy formulation and development.

With the support and partnership of the European Union under the Cotonou **Partnership Agreement** of the Africa, Caribbean, Pacific and Africa (ACP) countries, SONSA previously know SOSCENSA was initiated in 2008. The organization is located around Km4 from the central point of Mogadishu and near Hormuud Km4 branch Office

Introduction

Somalia Non-state Actors (SONSA) has conducted several tasks and also participated some of civil society engagement and consultative meetings those concern civil affairs.

Activities in August2020

- **Activity 1st**



Mogadishu, August 5, 2020; representatives from Somalia Non-State Actors (SONSA) attended a debate forum on ability of caretaker government to initiate new law or procedure; this comes after the current caretaker government have selected some members of Judicial Service Commission.

- **Activity 2nd**



Mogadishu, August 15, 2020; Key members of Somali Non-state Actors (SONSA) and other civil society had a meeting with the transitional technical committee for upcoming elections that was designated from Dusamareb conference the committee and civil society discussed several issued on coming federal elections and the role of civil society.

- **Activity 3rd**



Mogadishu, August 18, 2020; Somali Civil Society issued a statement on their concern for Dusamareb 3 conference that came out the dispute between leaders of Federal Government and some Federal Member States and held without inclusive. The Somali civil society urge to the political leaders of the country to end the dispute and reach their commitments and priorities of the nation together.

- **Activity 4th**



Mogadishu August 30, 2020; Somalia Non-State Actors (SONSA) held a Mogadishu Forum live through Universal TV, it's a national debate forum for the intellectual civil society and politicians come to discuss national issues, the topic was the role of political parties for upcoming elections while guests was MP Fawsia Haji Aden, MP Abdirahman Mohamed Hussein Odawaa iyo Dr Mohamed Hussein (Dr Liban).

- **Activity 5th**



Mogadishu, August 31, 2020; Somali Non-state Actors (SONSA) issued a statement on the concern of recent designated technical committee for the elections by the president of Hirshabelle state of Somalia that was not included and represent the gender balance. The Somali civil society urge to all stakeholders to maintain the women quota in every institution in order to reach inclusive decisions.

- **Activity 6th**



Mogadishu, August 31, 2020; representatives from Somali Non-state Actors (SONSA) attended a meeting on safety of Somali journalists, access to information and impunity. Members from Somali Police Force, ministry of Information, media groups and civil society participated the panel discussion. The organised by the Federation of Somali Journalists (FESAJ).

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