

The Ankara Communiqué released at the end of the meetings between Somali and Somaliland, 13 April 2013, Ankara

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Following the meeting at Chevening House (UK) of June 20-21, 2012 and the Dubai (UAE) of June 28, 2012, President Hassan Sheikh Mohamud of the Somali Federal Republic and President Ahmed Mohamed Silanyo of Somaliland Government met on 13 April 2013 in Ankara.

The meeting is hosted by the Government of Turkey at the request of the two parties.

The purpose of this meeting is to reopen the dialogue after the change in the leadership of the Somali Federal Republic, and to establish a way forward for the dialogue.

The two parties:

- 1. Expressed their commitment to the continuation of the Dialogue.
- 2. Endorsed the content of the Chevening house Declaration agreed on 21 June 2012, and the Dubai Statement signed on 28 June 2012.
- 3. Stated that the Dialogue is between the Federal Government of Somalia and the Government of Somaliland. The international community that is supporting this process will only provide facilitation when is needed.
- 4. Agreed to encourage and facilitate International aid and development provided to Somaliland.
- 5. Agreed the need to consolidate a cooperation on security sector through sharing intelligence, training as well as sharing scholarships for security sector professionals in order to become more effective in the fight against terrorism, extremism, piracy, illegal fishing toxic dumping, maritime crime and serious crime.
- 6. Proposed to meet within 90 days in Istanbul at a date later to be agreed by the parties.
- 7. Agreed to refrain from using any inflammatory language and any other act which may put the continuation of the Dialogue at risk.

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