Statement by HR Catherine Ashton  
on the Agreement  
between the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia  
and Ahlu Sunna Waljama'a

EU High Representative/European Commission Vice-President Catherine Ashton welcomes the Framework for Cooperation Agreement signed in Addis Ababa today between the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia (TFG) and Ahlu Sunna Waljama'a (ASWJ).

"This is an important step of broadening the reconciliation process in Somalia in support of the Djibouti Agreement," Catherine Ashton said.

"We are calling on the parties to implement the Agreement and the EU stands ready to support. I would also like to thank those who helped to make this possible, particularly the African Union, IGAD and the United Nations."

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