

## Somalia Domestic Media Monitoring

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### Headlines:

- Somali Government Claims that Corrupt Officials Stole Aid
- Military chief of Eel-adde killed in Gedo clashes
- Mogadishu Mayor pledges to reopen barricaded roads
- Violent confrontation erupts in Lower Shabelle region
- Gunmen kill peacebuilder in Gedo region last night

### Somali Government Claims that Corrupt Officials Stole Aid

[April 30, 2014 Shabelle News \(Independent Domestic Media\)](#)

- Speaking before members of parliament, the Minister of Interior Abdullahi Godax Barre claimed that there are specific government officials that have stolen the humanitarian aid meant to be provided to regions in Somalia.
- The Minister strained that the corrupt officials were given the responsibility of getting the aid across to needy families in Bay and Bakool, but they didn't as most of the food packages were not transported.
- The Minister of Interior was asked questions regarding the corruption in front of legislators.

## **Military chief of Eel-adde killed in Gedo clashes**

[April 29, 2014 Shabelle News \(Independent Domestic Media\)](#)

- According to news reports from Garbaharey, a town in the Gedo region, an intense battle erupted between Kenyan Defence Forces under the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) against Al-Shabaab insurgents.
- The terrorists attacked a military base belonging to the Somali National Army and AMISOM troops. Witnesses reported that different weapons were exchanged.
- Soldiers were killed in the clashes including the military chief of the Eel-addd territory, Mohamed Qojof.
- Somali Federal Government officials are yet to comment regarding the battle

## **Mogadishu Mayor pledges to reopen barricaded roads**

[April 25, 2014 Shabelle News \(Independent Domestic Media\)](#)

- The Governor of Benadir & Mayor of Mogadishu General Hassan Mohamed Hussein Mungab, reported to the press today that the regional administration will not accept certain roads in the capital city being blocked for personal reasons.
- The Mayor mentioned that non-governmental, inter-governmental agencies and embassies cannot close the narrow roads around their compound and that his administration will remove the roadblocks as soon as possible.
- "Foreign NGO's and embassies need not to fear for their safety as the security situation in Mogadishu is peaceful. Citizens have lodged numerous complaints regarding the blocked narrow roads in the capital city." Said the Mayor
- Residents have criticized and publicized that certain streets and avenues in Mogadishu have been blocked with no access to citizens and vehicles.

## **Violent confrontation erupts in Lower Shabelle region**

[April 26, 2014 Shabelle News \(Independent Domestic Media\)](#)

- A violent confrontation erupted earlier today at Bufow-Bacad, a town in the Lower Shabelle region, between rival militias.
- Witnesses explained to Shabelle that two civilians were killed in the clashes, and now that the confrontation stopped, tension remains high in the town.
- The reason for the battle still remains unknown although it did cause serious casualties and losses to civilian lives.
- Furthermore, armed assailants killed four civilians today in Muri, a neighborhood under the Afgoye town in Lower Shabelle and then making their escape soon after.

- The deputy Governor of the Lower Shabelle regional administration for social services reported to Shabelle that the administration's troops are pursuing the murderers.

## **Gunmen kill Peacebuilder in Gedo region last night**

[April 27, 2014 Shabelle News \(Independent Domestic Media\)](#)

- According to news reports from Baladhawo in the Gedo region, a prominent peacebuilder was killed in the town late last night.
- Armed gunmen shot dead Aadan Abdulle Inkir, the peace-builder, near his home in Baladhawo before immediately escaping.
- Witnesses reported to Shabelle that the assailants killed Inkir as he left the local mosque walking to his home.
- The Somali Federal Government have mentioned that they will pursue the perpetrators and bring them to justice.