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THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF SOMALILAND,

Determined to put an end to the suffering and casualties caused by anti-persennel mines, that kill or maim hundreds of people every week, mostly innocent and defenceless civilians and especially children, obstruct economic development and reconstruction, inhibit the repatriation of refugees and internally displaced persons, and have other severe consequences for years after emplacement.

Recalling the Ottawa Declaration of 50ctober 1996 and the Brussels Declaration of 27 June 1997 urging the international community to negotiate an international and legally binding agreement prohibiting the Use, stockpiling, production and transfer of anti-personnel mines.

Adopted this RESOLUTION:

- The state shall undertake to destroy or ensure the destruction of all stockpiled anti-personnel mines it owns or possesses, or that are under its jurisdiction or control, as soon as possible.
- The State should undertake to destroy or ensure the destruction 2) of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control, as soon as possible.
- The State shall make every effort to identify all areas under 3) its jurisdiction or control in which anti-personnel mines are known or suspected to be emplaced and shall ensure as soon as possible that all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control are perimeter-marked, monitored and protected by fencing or other means, to ensure the effective exclusion of civilians, until all anti-personnel mines contained therein have been destroyed.
- 4) <u>Definitions</u>
 - a. "Anti-personnel mine" means a mine designed to be exploded by the presence, proximity or contact of a person and that will incapacitate, injure or kill one or more persons.

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- b. "Mine" means a munition designed to be placed under, on or near the ground or other surface area and to be exploded by the presence, proximity or contact of a person or a vehicle.
- c. "Transfer" involves, in addition to the physical movement of anti-personnel mines into or from National territory, the transfer of title to and control over the mines
- d. "Mined area" means an area which is dangerous due to the presence or suspected presence of mines.

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