



# Weekly Report

## Federal Republic of Somalia

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### ***Eight local elders brutally killed in the Bay region of Somalia***

- In a press release, UN officials indicated that eight elders participating in a state formation conference were ambushed and killed after leaving the city of Baidoa by al-Shabaab.
- Violence between different state formation initiatives erupted in the same city.
- The UN envoy to Somalia, Nicholas Kay has called for a full investigation and that the perpetrators be brought to justice.
- Source: UN News Centre

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=47422&Cr=somali&Cr1=#.UzRKwFwS7qV>

### ***Kenya introduces a directive restricting Somali refugees to camps***

- Kenya claims the directive had to be introduced to deal with the “emergency security challenges” Kenya faces from militants entering as refugees.
- All refugees in urban areas are to report to Dadaab and Kakuma camps which currently hold half a million, and 100,000 refugees respectively.
- Al-Shabaab has carried out several attacks in Kenya, including the attack on the Westgate shopping centre last September.
- Source: BBC

<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-26748570>

### ***Talks open with Shell to resume work suspended at the start of the war in 1991***

- Federal government adviser, Abdullahi Haider says, optimistically, that after the seismic study by Soma Oil and Gas, major oil companies may be returning to Somalia this time next year.
- Although various companies are involved, and Shell continues to implement force majeure on plots in which they already holds rights, security and financing risks remain a high hurdle to be overcome.
- Source: Bloomberg

<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-03-26/somalia-hopes-to-see-shell-return-in-2015-as-soma-tests-waters.html>