



## Security Council

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### Letter dated 26 February 2022 from the Permanent Representative of Somalia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government and in anticipation of the Security Council's termination of the authorization for the international naval forces fighting piracy off the coast of Somalia, I would like to inform the Council that the Federal Government of Somalia reiterates that it will no longer request the renewal of Council resolution [2608 \(2021\)](#). The resolution has achieved its intended objective, with no recorded piracy attacks or armed robbery cases off the coast of Somalia in the past four years, as stated in the Secretary-General's report ([S/2021/920](#)).

We recognize and appreciate the collective efforts of international partners, including the European Union Naval Force in Somalia – Operation Atalanta – for their counter-piracy efforts and for contributing to international and regional stability and security. I am pleased to report that the Federal Government of Somalia, through the Office of the Attorney General, has been carrying out specialized and rigorous maritime training for prosecutors, judges, the coastguard, the police and criminal investigation divisions at all levels of the federal member states.

We have accelerated our efforts to build and capacitate our maritime law enforcement agencies and have established a specialized maritime unit to specifically deal with new international maritime threats and crimes. These include rampant illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and toxic-waste dumping in Somali waters, as well as trafficking.

The vision and strategic objectives and priorities of the Federal Government of Somalia reflect the current national and international threat levels. We value the long-standing collaboration with our bilateral partners and seek continued support in that regard. Under our stated national priorities, the Federal Government of Somalia is committed to assuming full security responsibility for its national waters in line with national and international law, and has made concrete steps to acquire capabilities to proactively counter maritime crimes, including rapid navy and coastguard deployment and high-tech capabilities.

I would like to request that the present letter be brought to the attention of the members of the Security Council and circulated as a document of the Council.

(Signed) Abukar Dahir **Osman**  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

