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The OIC Contact Group on Somalia met at the Ministerial level on the 25<sup>TH</sup> of September, 2012 in New York on the sidelines of the Annual Coordination Meeting of Foreign Ministers. The meeting reviewed the latest developments in Somalia and received briefings from the Somali Foreign Minister and the OIC Secretary General. It also heard interventions from other members of the Contact Group. During deliberations on the peace building process and the implementation of the Roadmap on Ending the political transition, the meeting agreed on the following:

**i.** The meeting reaffirmed its respect for the unity, stability and territorial integrity of Somalia and urged all countries to do the same.

**ii.** The meeting commended the people of Somalia and in particular the Signatories of the Roadmap on Ending the Transition for their determination to achieve the overall goals of the Transition. The Meeting congratulated the new President of Somalia, as well as other elected officials.

**iii**. The meeting expressed its full support for and solidarity with the new Somali Federal Government and Institutions and encouraged them to continue their efforts in peace building and stabilization in order to achieve genuine and comprehensive national reconciliation that will create the necessary conditions for the return of durable peace and stability in Somalia.

**iv.** The meeting further encouraged the new authorities in Somalia to remain united and focused on providing effective governance throughout the country and deepening the democratic process which includes the finalization of the constitution and preparation for elections on the basis of universal suffrage.

**v**. The meeting, while appreciating the role of the international community in supporting the implementation of the Roadmap leading to the end of the Transition, appealed to all partners to sustain their engagement with Somalia by facilitating the economic recovery, reconciliation, and long-term development of the country in accordance with their previous commitments.

**vi**. The meeting commended the contributions of AMISOM, the Somali Security forces and their allies and called for an enhanced support including the building of their capacities in the post transition era. It urged them to sustain the momentum to recover the remaining parts of the country from the insurgents.

**vii**. The meeting commended the overall activities of the OIC Humanitarian Coordination Office in Mogadishu, especially during the famine situation and urged the Member States to support its program to resettle the internally displaced persons to contribute to the stabilization and recovery efforts. It further urged them to take the necessary steps to activate the OIC Trust Fund for Somalia.