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A

4.5 power-sharing formula	A power-sharing formula under which key positions in the state and parliamentary seats are allocated on a proportional basis across the 4 major clans and 0.5 to minorities

ADR	Alternative Dispute Resolution
AFRICOM	United States Africa Command
AMISOM	Africom Union Mission in Somalia
Amniyat	The intelligence of Al-Shabaab
ASWJ	Ahiu Sunna Wal-Jama'ah
ATMIS	African Transitional Mission in Somalia

C

CJEU	Court of Justice of the European Union
CEAS	Common European Asylum System
COI	Country of Origin Information

D

Darwish	State level: armed forces/militias/paramilitary/special police • *Darwish* (Federal Police): Paramilitary unit of the Somali • Police Force distinct from the state level unofficial Darwish
Diya	Payment of compensation (see also *mag*)

E

ERRs	Emergency Response Rooms
EUAA	European Union Agency for Asylum
EU	European Union

F

FGM/C	Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting
FGS	Federal Government of Somalia

H

Hudud	Crimes that are 'against the rights of God' under Islamic religious law (plural of *haad*)

I

ID	Identification documentation
IDPs	Internally Displaced Person(s)
IED	Improvised explosive device
IPA	Internal protection alternative
ISS	Islamic State in Somalia

J

Jaish al-hisba or Hisbah	Armed force that Al-Shabaab uses as both police and a morality enforcement force
Jilib	The group below which the community assumes the payment of 'the blood price'

L

LGBTIQ	LGBTIQ people are persons: • who are attracted to others of their own gender (lesbian, gay) or any gender (bisexual); • whose gender identity and/or expression does not correspond to the sex they were assigned at birth (trans, non-binary); • who are born with sex characteristics that do not fit the typical definition of male or female (intersex); and • whose identity does not fit into a binary classification of sexuality and/or gender (queer).

M

Ma'awiisley	A local clan militia, also referred to as Macawiisley, Macawiisleey, Macawisley, named after the sarong, a common piece of clothing
Mag	Payment of compensation (see also *diya*)
Mooryaan	Somali for bandits
Mukhtar	Local community leader

N

NIS National Intelligence Service
NISA National Intelligence and Security Agency
NGO Non-Governmental Organisation

P

PMPF Puntland Maritime Police Force
PSF Puntland Security Force

Q

QD (Qualification Directive)	Directive 2011/95/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection, and for the content of the protection granted.
QR (Qualification Regulation)	Regulation (EU) 2024/1347 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 May 2024 on standards for the qualification of third-country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection, for a uniform status for refugees or for persons eligible for subsidiary protection and for the content of the protection granted, amending Council Directive 2003/109/EC and repealing Directive 2011/95/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council.

S

Sharia	The religious law of Islam, Islamic canonical law
SNA	Somalia National Army
SPF	Somalia Police Force

U

UN	United Nations
UNHCR	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
UNOCHA	United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
UNSG	United Nations Secretary General
US	United States of America

X

Xeer	Customary (clan) law

Z

Zakat	The annual religious obligation to pay a specific percentage of a person’s wealth to the poor

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