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UN HELPS TO RE-ESTABLISH LAW AND ORDER IN SOMALIA

VIDEO

AMINA WALKS

HARGEISA

SOMALIA CHAOS/ARCHIVE

AMINA WALKS

AMINA ENTERS POLICE HQ

AMINA ENTERS ROOM IN CIVILIAN
CLOTHING

AMINA MOHAMED ALI,
POLICEWOMAN, ON CAMERA

AUDIO

NARATION

Amina Mohamed Ali was a successful businesswoman. But civil war changed everything. (5.5)

Amina comes from Somaliland, a self-declared but an unrecognized republic that broke away from Somalia in 1991. (7)

That was the year the government of Siad Barre was overthrown by a cabal of rival warlords, and the country plunged into clan warfare and chaos. (9)

Amina was injured in the war and had to flee to survive. (3.5)

When she returned to her homeland, she made a decision that changed her life. (4.5)

She became a policewoman. But it wasn't easy... (3)

ALI: (Somali)

"The problem was that there was a perception that women could not perform in a man's job, like working

in law enforcement.” (7)

NARRATION

POLICE ACADEMY

Amina is one of the 2000 police officers, among them 50 women, who have graduated from Somaliland’s Civil Police Academy. (8)

They are essential to the effort by Somaliland’s government to return the country to normalcy. And the creation of peace and security depends in part on re-establishing law and order. (11)

POLICE ACADEMY

The United Nations supports Somaliland’s police with vehicles, uniforms and equipment, and training. It’s also supporting the Police Academy through the United Nations Development Programme. UN’s Law Enforcement Advisor, Brhett Armstrong... (15)

ARMSTRONG:

BRHETT ARMSTRONG, UNDP’S LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISOR ON-CAMERA

“The priority was the establishment of a police academy. Implement a training programme to train the trainers. To assist in their recruitment and train police personnel for their police force, including men and women.” (14.5)

NARRATION

POLICE ACADEMY

Many recruits are former militia fighters. The challenge now is to transform battle-hardened soldiers into a cohesive, law abiding police force. (9.5)

POLICEWOMEN AT WORK

More and more women are joining the ranks. For Somalia’s patriarchal society, this is nothing short of extraordinary. (7)

AMINA AT COURSE

NARRATION

Amina, who graduated third in her class of 180, has now joined an elite group, the Special Protection Unit, established to prevent and investigate terrorist attacks, and to protect foreign and local authorities. (14.5)

AMINA ON FOOT PATROL

But she still likes walking a beat... Amina is committed to serving her people and country, and she is aiming high... (6.5)

ALI ON-CAMERA

AMINA: (In Somali)

“One day I would like to become the president of this country”. (3)

HOUSES
DESTROYED/HANDICAPPED

NARRATION

In a country still marked with the scars of war, the Civil Police Force has already made a difference – crime is down by 20 percent. Through hard work, the police are winning the public’s trust, and making steady progress against the chaos that has plagued Somalia for so many years. (17)

UN LOGO

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