4<sup>th</sup> Review Conference, Oslo, Norway on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

## Mr. Abdi Nasir Saed Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Security, Federal Government of Somalia

Excellences, ladies and gentlemen,

Good morning .It is my pleasure to be here today.

Excellency Mr. President,

On behalf of the Federal Government of Somalia I would like to thank you for giving us this opportunity to reflect and renew the commitments of the Government in its objectives of eradicating Mines throughout Somalia.

Excellency, Mr President.

Somalia became 160<sup>th</sup> State Party Member of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention in 2012, and after its Third Review Conference in Maputo, the Ministry of Internal Security led by H.E. Mohamed Abukar Islow and Somalia Explosive Management Authority (SEMA) made headways in areas of establishing offices throughout Somalia for the purposes of clearing land mines and ERW contamination in the country as well as assisting victims and also reporting mechanisms. However, despite all the good intention and support of the International community in assisting Somali reach its goal, we are hampered by lack of coordination among international Implementors, be may INGO"s or UN agencies.

Excellency Mr President,

Albeit, the resilience of the Somali People, Somali has and still faces many challenges related to security and developments, but, we are confident with ongoing reform process and institutional development we are on the right trajectory for full recovery. However, I would like to remind the audience No country has succeeded in eradicating Land mines without building the foundations, expertise and technological knowhow of its institutions that are dedicated in the process of eradication and we ask the International Community to reconsider their support to reflect on strengthening and building the capacity our institutions.

On that note, the outcome of this meeting should also address the basic foundations of coordination, collaboration and above all activities aimed at eradicating land mines should be bottom up rather than top-down approach and I am certain undertaking these steps Somali will

be in a far better position to not only implement International agreements, but, also to develop and implement a comprehensive approach to eradicating land mines throughout Somalia.

On that note, Mr . President, let me conclude my very brief speech that Somali Government fully supports the outcome and adaptation of Oslo Action Plan and its Political Commitments document.

Thank you very much!