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**Mogadishu, Somalia**

Benadir-Watch welcomes the hard work of the Somali population in Mogadishu to save the Somali nation at this critical juncture in its history. The population of Mogadishu have spoken:

1. An end to the artificial Government set up in Mbigathi (Kenya) by corrupted officials, contrary to the wishes and welfare of the Somali people, and the interests of peace and security in Somalia.
2. An end to the infamous 4.5 clause which created first class citizens, second class citizens, and third class citizens.
3. An end to the bankrupt transitional charter which deprived vast sections of the native population of the country, especially the alienated groups, now forming not less than 70% of the population of Mogadishu, their constitutional rights.
4. An end to the infamous "federal system" which was designed to initiate the dismembering of Somalia, in the interest of colonial neighboring countries.
5. An end to the clan oligarchies who have no other agenda, but to dominate and oppress unarmed communities and to sell the resources of the nation to third parties in order to stay in power.
6. Benadir-Watch urges the population of Mogadishu not to give up the fruits of their hard work and to declare a schedule for free and fair elections, based on the principle of one man, one vote.

May you be blessed and may you protect the rights of the Somali people.

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