



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**



Council Conclusions on Somalia

*2879th EXTERNAL RELATIONS Council meeting
Luxembourg, 16 and 17 June 2008*

The Council adopted the following conclusions:

1. The Council recalls its conclusions of 26 May 2008 and reaffirms its commitment to a comprehensive approach for a lasting settlement of the Somali crisis, covering its political, security and humanitarian aspects.
2. The Council welcomes the agreement reached on 9 June 2008 by the Transitional Federal Government of Somalia and the Alliance for the Re-liberation of Somalia, at the Inter-Somali talks that resumed in Djibouti early this month, with the facilitation of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary General Ould-Abdallah and the support of the EU and other international partners. The Council reiterates the urgent need to keep up the momentum of an inclusive dialogue for a sustained political solution to the dire situation in Somalia.
3. The Council welcomes the unanimous adoption of UN Security Council resolution 1816 of 2 June 2008 on acts of piracy and armed robbery off the coast of Somalia.
4. The Council requests the Council General Secretariat and the Commission to study possible options on implementing all commitments contained in its conclusions of 26 May, as well as on how to best contribute to the implementation of UN Security Council resolution 1816 of 2 June."

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