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IGAD Welcomes the Ankara Agreement Between the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the Federal Republic of Somalia

12 December 2024, DJIBOUTI, Djibouti: The Executive Secretary of the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), H.E. Dr Workneh Gebeyehu, has commended the landmark Ankara Agreement reached between the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the Federal Republic of Somalia. This significant accord marks a substantial step towards strengthening the long-standing social fabric between the two sisterly nations and demonstrates a commitment to resolving bilateral issues amicably.

Dr Workneh praised the leaders of both countries for their constructive engagement and spirit of cooperation. He emphasised the importance of such diplomatic efforts in addressing shared challenges and fostering stability and prosperity in the Horn of Africa.

Furthermore, Dr Workneh expressed his gratitude to the President of the Republic of Türkiye, H.E. Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, for his instrumental role in hosting and facilitating the discussions. He acknowledged President Erdoğan's dedication to diplomacy and regional collaboration as a crucial factor in realising this important milestone.

IGAD remains steadfast in its commitment to supporting its Member States in their pursuit of sustainable solutions through dialogue, partnership, and mutual cooperation.



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