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Greetings,

President Hassan Sheikh Mohamud of Somalia will be in Washington, DC on Friday, September 26, and is available for interviews between 11:00–12:00 AM or 3:30–4:30 PM.

He can speak to:

- Somalia's growing partnership with the United States in counterterrorism, including joint operations with AFRICOM
- The importance of Somali unity in defeating extremism and safeguarding regional security
- Progress on governance, debt relief, and economic resilience in the years since Somalia reduced its debt from 64 percent of GDP in 2018 to just 6 percent in 2023
- Somalia's preparations for its first one-person, one-vote election in more than 50 years

This is a rare opportunity to hear directly from President Mohamud at a moment when U.S. policy toward the Horn of Africa is under active discussion.

Please let me know if you would like to schedule an interview.

Best,  
Alex

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