



## Somaliland's 'ambassador' seeks to resolve a Horn of Africa dilemma

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*Somaliland's representative in Washington, D.C., Bashir Goth, sits between the flags of Somaliland and the United States in his office in Alexandria, Va. (Washington Diplomat)*

On one of Bashir Goth's many visits to Capitol Hill to discuss Somaliland – the strategically placed, "de facto" country in the Horn of Africa that split from Somalia when Mohammed Siad Barre's government collapsed in 1991 – a member of Congress offered an explanation for why Somaliland has struggled for 33 years to gain international recognition.

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