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Message from the Ottawa Police Service

On behalf of the Ottawa Police Service, I am pleased to offer my full support to the Somali Hope Academy Foundation.

This Somali Hope Academy Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing access to education to underprivileged children in Somalia. Their mission is to create a world in which all Somali children can pursue a quality education that enables them to reach their full potential and contribute to their community and the world.

Their target is education because they believe that education is fundamental for the progress of all humanity in general and war weary Somalia in particular. The conflict in Somali has been on-going for almost two decades and there were no public education system. Only those who could afford schooling for their kids had the option for private, thus affectively isolating large number of children with a pool of potential and talents. This Foundation's goal is to reach out for the marginalized and the poor so that they too will have a chance to overcome poverty and neglect.

The Ottawa Police Service strongly supports the Somali Hope Academy Foundation.

Sincerely,


Charles Bordeleau
Chief of Police

