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Statement from the United Nations on explosion at UNDP Compound, Hargeysa

(Nairobi, 29 October 2008) The United Nations confirms that at approximately at 10 o'clock this morning the UNDP compound in Hargeysa, Somaliland, was hit by an explosion, caused by a vehicle which forced entry into the compound. There are known casualties as well as deaths, but the numbers are currently being verified. Medical evacuation of the injured is ongoing.

The UN is aware of reports of other explosions in the Hargeysa area as well as in Puntland. These have not involved UN premises.

Further statements will be released as more information becomes available.

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