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From
H.E. Abdi Hassan Awale (Qeybdiid)
President of the Federal State of Galmudug
Galkayo, Somalia

**Subject: "Intention" to grant a petroleum exploration license to Link Natural Resources (FZC)
from the federal state of Galmudug, Somalia**

The government of the federal state of Galmudug, Somalia has agreed to grant a petroleum exploration license (provided all terms and conditions are met) to Link Natural Resources (FZC), a company based in the UAE, through its signed Product Sharing Agreement (PSA). The decision has been made collectively by my cabinet of ministers and I. Also, the matter has been addressed and agreed by the federal government of Somalia through its Ministry of Petroleum.

Therefore, Link Natural Resources (FZC) will have an opportunity to be granted a petroleum exploration license for a term of thirty five (35) years in the federal state of Galmudug, Somalia. The license shall cover petroleum exploration onshore and offshore Galmudug State with a possible maximum of 18 oil blocks available to the exploration company. This license shall remain active and legal from the date signed on the PSA through to future governments in the state and country, unless proven inefficient. The official PSA will be reviewed, agreed upon and authorized by both, the state and the federal governments of Somalia.

The government of Galmudug state is well aware of the fact that the task is great, yet feels comfortable and confident in its existing partner, Link Natural Resources (FZC) and assures its full co-operation.

Link Natural Resources (FZC) must assure that the work carried out will be expedited in right earnest as per the terms mentioned on the agreed PSA, it will provide its progress reports to the concerned ministries and develop the state of Galmudug socially and economically.

The government of the federal state of Galmudug, Somalia does not wish, in any way, to endanger the interests of its citizens and will review the progress of the exploration on a consistent basis.

Yours faithfully,

H.E. Abdi Hassan Awale (Qeybdiid)
President of the federal state of Galmudug, Somalia


