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Date: 05 May 20

Your Excellency,

Subject: INCIDENT REPORT AT BERDELE FOB UNDER SECTOR 3 AOR ON 04 MAY 2020 AT 1514HRS

- Pursuant to the reference ENDF AMISOM/1108/2020 dated 04 May 20, the aircraft was flying from Baidoa to Berdele with passengers of five (05), 03 Kenyan citizens and 02 Somali citizens. The aircraft was owned by a Kenyan private company called African Express 711 type E-120.
- The flight management procedure was informing the flight to sector 3
 operation department and operation department will inform the respective FOB
 regarding the flight time of departure and arrival for government, NGOs and
 private (Commercial) flights for security reasons.
- 3. When the aircraft was arriving at Berdele FOB, the usual landing direction is East – West, but the aircraft was flying from West – East to land over the base camp of Berdele, closer to the ground and tried to land on ZU 23 crew. Even though the troops didn't shoot it down, the aircraft crashed on the ground because its wheel was not ready to land.
- 4. In view of the above, the troops concluded that the aircraft was suspected to be a suicide and trying to find the target to make suicide in the base camp because of the movement of the aircraft now and then over the FOB.
- Finally, because of lack of communication and awareness, the aircraft was shot down and 03 Kenyan citizens and 02 Somali citizens died in the incident.
- 6. This is the information about the shot down of the aircraft on the ground at Berdele FOB under sector 3 AOR. But the incident was performed by non-AMISOM troops of Ethiopia, which will require mutual collaborative investigation team from Somalia, Ethiopia and Kenya for further to understand the truth.

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