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SOMALIA DISASTER MANAGEMENT AGENCY (SoDMA)

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SOMALI DISASTER MANAGEMENT AGENCY (SoDMA) EXPRESSES SOLIDARITY WITH CALIFORNIA WILDFIRE-AFFECTED COMMUNITIES

Mogadishu, Somalia – The Somalia Disaster Management Agency (SoDMA) expresses its deepest sympathies and heartfelt concern for the communities affected by the devastating wildfires in California, United States. We stand united with those who have lost their homes, livelihoods, and loved ones to this catastrophe.

As an agency committed to crisis mitigation and management within Somalia, we keenly understand the physical, emotional, and economic hardships that accompany large-scale emergencies. Somalia, too, grapples with the severe effects of climate change, frequently enduring climate-induced natural disasters such as floods and droughts. This shared experience deepens our empathy and solidarity with the people of California.

SoDMA extends its sincere gratitude to the United States for its support to the Somali people and government in the areas of humanitarian assistance, disaster response, and development. In recognition of our enduring partnership, we offer our prayers and well wishes to all those tirelessly working on the front lines—firefighters, first responders, and volunteers—who are risking their lives to safeguard affected communities in California.

For more information or to discuss potential avenues of cooperation, please contact:

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