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The African Union Commission (AUC) presents its compliments to the **Embassies and Permanent Missions Members on the Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union**, as has the honor to communicate as follow :

The Commission wishes to inform the Embassies and Permanent Missions that, on 1 July 2026, the United States Mission to the African Union transmitted Note Verbale 118-26, communicating that the United States will not support the continuation of the UN Support Office in Somalia (UNSOS) beyond the current AUSSOM authorization expiring 31 December 2026. This development carries significant implications for the logistical sustainment, operational posture and financing of the Mission.

In light of the above, and in accordance with the Commission's immediate action plan on this matter, the Commission has the honor to invite respective Military/Defense Advisers members on the Military Staff Committee (MSC) to an Extraordinary Session on the future of the African Union Support and Stabilization Mission in Somalia (AUSSOM).

In this regard, the Commission will present an overview of the implications of this development, together with proposed follow-up actions and indicative timelines. **The session is scheduled to be held in person on Friday, 3 July 2026, at 14:00 hours, in the Julius Nyerere Building.** It should be mentioned that, due to the urgency of the situation, the session will be held in English only.

**All communications related to this mission should be addressed to the following:**  
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The Commission of the African Union avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassies of the **and Permanent Missions of the Members of the Peace and Security Council (PSC) of the African Union**, and to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the **Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia**, the assurances of its highest consideration. 

Addis Ababa, 02 July 2026

**To: Embassies of the AU Peace and Security Council Members (Military Staff Committee)**  
**Algeria, Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Eswatini,**  
**Gabon, Lesotho, Morocco, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa and Uganda,**  
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