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COUNTRY: SOMALIA/ETHIOPIA

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT SIAD'S PLEDGE FOR CONTINUED SUPPORT TO  
THE WSLF. (DOI: MID-FEBRUARY 1980)EO 12958 1.6(d)(1)>10<25Yrs  
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SOURCE :

1. SOMALI PRESIDENT M O H A M E D SIAD BARRE CALLED A MEETING OF WESTERN SOMALI LIBERATION FRONT (WSLF) LEADERS AT THE SOMALI MILITIA TRAINING CAMP NEAR AFGOI IN MID-FEBRUARY 1980 AND ASSURED THEM THAT SOMALI GOVERNMENT SUPPORT TO THE WSLF WOULD NOT BE REDUCED EVEN IF SOMALIA SIGNED A MILITARY AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES. SIAD HAD BECOME CONCERNED BY REPORTS IN EARLY FEBRUARY THAT WSLF LEADERS WERE WORRIED THAT SIAD MIGHT REDUCE SOMALI GOVERNMENT SUPPORT TO THE WSLF ONCE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES WAS SIGNED. ACCORD-  
ING TO THESE REPORTS, WSLF LEADERS FOR THE FIRST TIME WERE

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DISCUSSING THE POSSIBILITY OF NEGOTIATING WITH THE ETHIOPIANS  
FOR AUTONOMY RATHER THAN CONTINUING THE FIGHT FOR FULL  
INDEPENDENCE. WHEN SIAD HEARD THESE REPORTS, HE BECAME VERY  
UPSET AND ORDERED LEADING SOMALI OFFICIALS FROM THE OGADENI  
TRIBE, INCLUDING COMMANDANT OF THE POLICE, BRIGADIER GENERAL  
A D A N ABDI DUALE, AND BRIGADIER GENERAL A D A N  
ABDULLAHI NUR, COMMANDANT OF THE HALANE POLITICAL INDOCTRINATION  
INSTITUTE FOR THE SOMALI REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST PARTY, TO  
ARRANGE THE MEETING WITH WSLF OFFICIALS. THE MEETING WAS  
ATTENDED BY OVER 100 WSLF AND SOMALI GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.

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