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**PRESS RELEASE**  
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***AMISOM APOLOGIZES FOR THE DEATH OF A MALAYSIAN JOURNALIST***

***Nairobi, September 26th, 2011;*** following the accidental killing of a Malaysian Journalist, Mura Faisal Bin Mohamed, and the injuring of another, Aji Seragar Bin Mazlan alias Aji Akram Solema, on 02 September 2011 in Mogadishu, the Special Representative of the Chairperson of the Commission of the African Union (SRCC) and Head of Mission, Ambassador Boubacar Diarra immediately ordered an investigation into the incident in line with appropriate African Union procedures.

The Board of Inquiry (BOI) established that four soldiers were involved in the shooting at the Hajji Doole Junction on Airport Road and recommended that the four soldiers, from the Burundi contingent, be brought to trial according to their country's military and judicial processes. Also, in line with the BOI recommendations, the four soldiers have been suspended from duty to allow for further proceedings.

This is a regrettable incident. AMISOM offers sincere apologies to the families of the deceased and the injured. We condole with the people and government of Malaysia and note with appreciation the Malaysian government's contributions in the relief efforts currently underway in Somalia.

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