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| **MoD Job role** profiling template | | |
| **Job family information** |  | |
| **Job family** | External Affairs | |
| **Job function** | International Affairs | |
| **Job role** | Foreign Attaché Office | |
| **Classification Code if applicable** |  | |
| **Profile information** |  | |
| **Role purpose** | Foreign affairs Office is responsible for the management, coordination and administration of all foreign defense attachés resident in Somalia. His section also manages visits by non-resident DAs accredited to the FGS and is responsible for ensuring relevant MOUs and SOFAs are in force for any bilateral agreements on the stationing of foreign troops in Somalia | |
| **Core responsibilities** | •Ensuring all foreign DAs are correctly looked after and that there is regular liaison between the Foreign Attaché Office and the Defense Sections in Embassies which have them.  • Acting as the focal point for all incoming military visits from abroad  • Liaising with the General Staff over any planned combined training in Somalia  • Liaising with the Department of Foreign Affairs over all diplomatic issues involving accredited DAs | |
| **Demonstrated behaviors** | • Excellent inter-personal and communication skills, and the ability to easily interact with senior SAF officers and other senior Government officials in other Ministries  . • Strong leadership qualities, with the ability to manage military and civilian personnel  . • Strong planning and organizational skills, and strong analytical and evaluation ability.  • The ability to formally represent the Department in liaison with the SAF, and external agencies, such as international defense attachés, diplomats and parliamentarians. | |
| **Preferred qualifications, certifications, licensing** | Bachelor's degree mandatory or equivalent experience and knowledge gained in armed forces | |
| *Is the qualification mandatory, or can it be acquired over a period of time in the role?* | Mandatory | |
| **Preferred knowledge** | • At least 3 years’ experience in international relations at an appropriate level and a solid understanding of the public sector and the Armed Forces (Master's degree preferred).  • Good command of English, both written and spoken | |
| **Role specific technical knowledge** | This role favors an officer who has previously served abroad as a DA. No specific technical knowledge is required, but a good understanding of the bilateral defense agreements and programmers in Somalia is essential. A solid grasp of the protocols attached to diplomatic appointments would be hugely beneficial. | |
| **Source** | | |
| **Somali Public Service classification range** | | Grade A |
| **Security clearance** | | Negative vetting |
| **Vacancy criticality** | | High |