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2024 AGOA Eligibility Review Virtual Public Hearing

Topic: Request to testify at the AGOA eligibility virtual hearing: Hon. Mursal M. Khaliff, Ph.D., Member of the Parliament of the Federal Republic of Somalia and former Minister of Planning and International Cooperation

Von Batten-Montague-York, L.C. was engaged in June 2022 by the Federal Republic of Somalia's Embassy in Washington, D.C., to advise, initiate and facilitate discussions and actions toward the Federal Republic of Somalia achieving AGOA eligibility status.

Good afternoon.

I request permission for the Hon. Mursal M. Khaliff, Ph.D., Member of the Parliament of the Federal Republic of Somalia, and former Minister of Planning and International Cooperation, to testify during the virtual public hearing scheduled for July 24, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. EDT via WebEx. If granted permission, Dr. Khaliff will testify to support the Federal Republic of Somalia being deemed AGOA eligible.

I look forward to hearing from you on this important issue.

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