

African solutions to African problems – AU capacities in peacekeeping exemplified by AMISOM

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African Union

- Formed 2002
- 55 member states
- AU Parliament & Assembly
- AU Commission
- African Standby Force
- AU Peace Fund
- AU Peace & Security Council

“An integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa, driven by its own citizens and representing a dynamic force in global arena.”

African Union



African Union



European Union

~~(maybe later)~~

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Unity

Currency

Visa-free

Peacekeeping

Parliament

Pan-continental



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Schengen

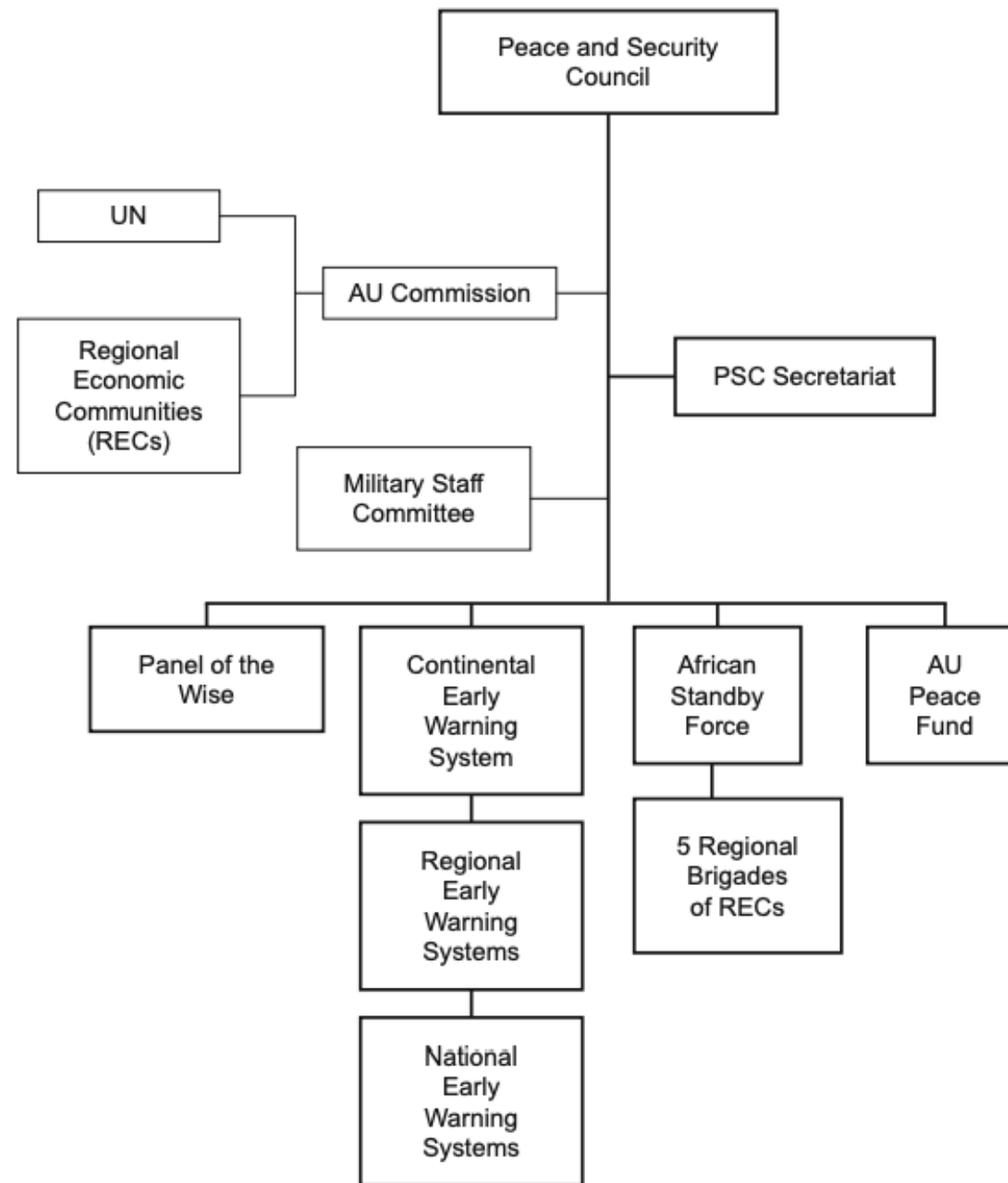


Figure 3.1 The African peace and security architecture.



AMISOM

African Union Mission in Somalia

As per the UN Security Council Resolution 2372(2017) AMISOM is mandated to pursue the following strategic objectives:

- Enable the gradual handing over of **security responsibilities** from AMISOM to the Somali security forces contingent on abilities of the Somali security forces and political and security progress in Somalia;
- Reduce the threat posed by **Al-Shabaab** and other armed opposition groups;
- Assist the Somali security forces to provide **security for the political process** at all levels as well as stabilization, reconciliation and peace building in Somalia



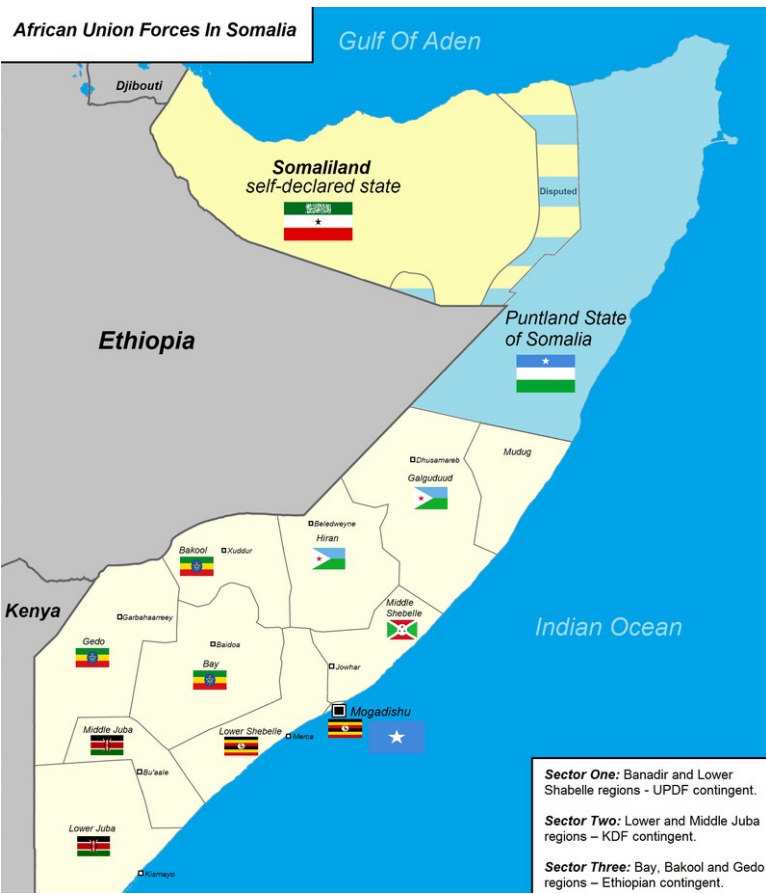
Launched 2007 - 22000 total personnel



COMPONENTS OF AMISOM

- Amisom Military Component
- Amisom Police Component
- Amisom Civilian Component





Military Component

- Comprised of troops from Uganda, Burundi, Djibouti, Kenya and Ethiopia who are deployed in sectors covering south and central Somalia.
- Transformation of Mogadishu after the Battle of Mogadishu (2010–11)



Police Component



Goal is fully self-sustainable Somali security force



AMISOM has provided support for screening, vetting, recruiting, training and mentoring the police at both the federal and state levels.



Specialized training for the Somali Police Force on investigations, anti-terrorism and counter-insurgency.

Civilian Component



MISSION SUPPORT



POLITICAL PROCESSES



STABILISATION AND
EARLY RECOVERY



PROTECTION, HUMAN
RIGHTS AND GENDER



SECURITY SECTOR
REFORM

Future of AMISOM & AU



2016 Parliamentary
Elections first since 1984



Transitional Federal
Government (TFG) ->
Federal Government of
Somalia (FGS)



Current mandate expires
on 31 May 2020



Reduction of troop levels
to a maximum of 19,626
by 28 February 2020.



Africa-China relations?

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