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Somalia: Puntland Govt Forces Kill Terrorist in Gunfight

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Puntland Government's Police Mobile Unit killed a terrorist in a gunfight on Monday in Dhahar town of Puntland State of Somalia.

After obtaining intelligence information, Puntland security forces approached Mr. Hassan Ismail Sardheye, 34, at a public location. Armed with an AK-47 assault rifle, he immediately began firing at security forces as they approached to arrest him.

Mr. Sardheye and one civilian were killed in the exchange of gunfire. Mr. Sardheye was a prominent member of Al Shabaab group based in Golis Mountain Range and he was among the Al Shabaab commanders during the Galgala conflict in mid-2010.

In recent months, he managed to infiltrate over 50 Al Shabaab fighters from south-central Somalia into the Golis Mountain Range aiming to destabilize the peace and security in Puntland.

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