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AMISOM condemns attacks on its troops in Lego

Mogadishu-April 19th, 2015: The Special Representative of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission for Somalia (SRCC) Ambassador Maman S. Sidikou has learnt with sadness news of an attack on AMISOM troops in the Lower Shabelle region.

The cowardly ambush on the troops took place this afternoon between Lego and Balidogle. Our gallant soldiers put up a spirited fight during which three of them lost their lives, while others sustained injuries.

"This attack on AMISOM peacekeepers is part of the continuous effort to subvert Somalia. It is an attempt at disrupting the growth that is evident across all regions, by the enemies of the Somali people. The blood of our brothers will however not be shed in vain. AMISOM will remain committed to pacifying Somalia," said Ambassador Sidikou.

Ambassador Sidikou commiserates with the families of the soldiers who have lost their lives to the cause of stabilizing Somalia and wishes the injured quick recovery.

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