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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya presents its compliments to all Diplomatic Missions, UN Agencies and International Organizations in Nairobi and has the honour to inform that the Kenya –Somalia airspace has been closed following the severance of Diplomatic Relations between the two countries.

The Ministry wishes further to inform the esteemed Diplomatic Missions, UN Agencies and International Organizations that exemption has been given to humanitarian and medevac flights only. For humanitarian flights, the Ministry must be furnished with the list of the passengers and goods to be transported to Somalia before clearance is issued.

The Ministry however, regrets to inform that it has noticed the misuse of humanitarian flights for bilateral and political matters contrary to the NOTAM and public notice to Missions that air communication between Kenya and Somalia had been stood down. The Ministry reiterates that Humanitarian flights must strictly be used for humanitarian purposes to avoid a possible declaration by the Government of Kenya of a full lockdown on all flights.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kenya avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Diplomatic Missions, UN Agencies and International Organizations in Nairobi, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Nairobi, 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

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