I. VOTE MISSION STATEMENT

To protect and promote Uganda national interests in Somalia for inclusive growth and development.

II. STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

To Promote Regional and International Peace and Security

To Promote Commercial and Economic Diplomacy.

To Mobilize Uganda Diaspora in Somalia for National Development.

To Provide Diplomatic, Protocol and Consular services in Somalia.

To Promote Uganda Image Abroad through Public Diplomacy.

To Strengthen of Institutional Capacity of the Mission.

To mainstream gender and equity in implementation of planned activities

III. MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2023/24

Participated in the EAC 23rd Ordinary Summit of Heads of State -where Somalia was admitted to East African Community.

Coordinated the signing ceremony of the Treaty of Accession to EAC by Somalia at the Statehouse, Entebbe.

Organized Independence Celebrations and showcased Ugandan products including coffee, agriculture products and fruits as well as Uganda Airline services

Attended the official handover ceremony of 07 Forward Operating Bases. (Al Jazeera 1, Albao, Marka Ayub, Gherille, Cadale, Xaaji Cali, and Mirtugo) to Somalia Security Forces (Somali National Army) as part of implementation of the drawdown of ATMIS troops from Somalia

Conducted trainings of over 6,000 Somalis (Somali National Army/SNA) in Uganda.35.1% were female while 64.9% were male.

Held a meeting with the Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development and recruiting companies of migrant workers to Somalia who are majorly women.

Approved 300 Job orders for Ugandans where 201 were female and 99 male.

Issued over 23 Certificates of Identity Documents 15 male and 8 female.

Followed up with DCIC on 25 delayed visa issuances which were issued.

Resolved 02 disputes between Ugandan supervisors and Ugandan Employees.

Handled a case of 02 female Ugandans working with Deeqa Company in Beledweyne Sector whose passports were lost

successfully resolved issues raised between 13 Ugandans and their Somali employers regarding; non-payment of salaries, delayed payment of visa arrears, unlawful holding of passports.

Secured tax exemption of the 68 trucks and their accessories for the Ugandan Contingent UPDF/ATMIS.

Issued 03 Emergency Travel Documents to Ugandans whose passports were lost 02 male and 01 female.

Secured visas for 04 Ugandan Airlines Board Members and coordinated their meeting with Somali Civil Aviation Authority in Mogadishu.

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Secured tax exemption of the 68 trucks and their accessories for the Ugandan Contingent UPDF/ATMIS.

Participated in the Saudi -Africa Summit on 10th November 2023 and Report submitted on the Riyadh Declaration of Saudi-Africa Summit

Participated in the official visit by the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations (c34) to Somalia.

Offered Consular services to 56 Ugandans in distress in Somalia. (42 female and 14 male)

Participated in 17 Engagements to expand African Union Transition Mission in Somalia (ATMIS) mandate to support vulnerable groups like female UPDF soldiers.

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Organized 19 engagements with immigration authorities in Uganda and Somalia to support vulnerable persons such as the youth including women.

Conducted 02 Milestone Inspections by the Project Management/contract Management Teams

Payment made for Interim Payment Certificate No.7 to the Contractor.

Progress report and status of the project up to 96%.

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Procured a Utility light Vehicle.

Procured and installed 25 Security CCTV Surveillance Cameras with poles and cables.

Provided support supervision to all staff in the Mission (24 male and 07 female).

Provided entitlements for all Mission staff (including maternity leave for women, and days off for workers due to harsh weather conditions).

IV. MEDIUM TERM BUDGET ALLOCATIONS

Table 4.1: Overview of Vote Expenditure (Ushs Billion)

				2024/25	2024/25 MTEF Budget Projections				
		Approved Budget	Spent by End Dec	Budget Estimates	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	
Recurrent	Wage	0.134	0.067	0.134	0.134	0.134	0.134	0.134	
Keenrent	Non-Wage	2.559	1.403	3.559	3.559	3.559	3.559	2.559	
Devt.	GoU	2.810	0.682	2.771	2.771	2.771	2.771	2.810	
Devi.	Ext Fin.	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
	GoU Total	5.503	2.152	6.464	6.464	6.464	6.464	5.503	
Total GoU+	Ext Fin (MTEF)	5.503	2.152	6.464	6.464	6.464	6.464	5.503	
	Arrears		0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
Total Budget		5.503	2.152	6.464	6.464	6.464	6.464	5.503	
Total Vote Budget Excluding Arrears		5.503	2.152	6.464	6.464	6.464	6.464	5.503	

	Draft Budget Estimates FY 2024/25			
Billion Uganda Shillings	Recurrent	Development		
Programme:07 Private Sector Development	0.050	0.000		
SubProgramme:01 Enabling Environment	0.050	0.000		
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	0.050	0.000		
001 Embassy in Mogadishu, Somalia	0.050	0.000		
Programme:16 Governance And Security	2.643	2.771		
SubProgramme:01 Institutional Coordination	2.481	2.771		
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	2.481	2.771		
001 Embassy in Mogadishu, Somalia	2.481	2.771		
SubProgramme:02 Security	0.163	0.000		
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	0.163	0.000		
001 Embassy in Mogadishu, Somalia	0.163	0.000		
Programme:18 Development Plan Implementation	1.000	0.000		
SubProgramme:02 Resource Mobilization and Budgeting	1.000	0.000		
Sub SubProgramme:01 Overseas Mission Services	1.000	0.000		
001 Embassy in Mogadishu, Somalia	1.000	0.000		
Total for the Vote	3.693	2.771		

Table 4.2: Budget Allocation by Department for Recurrent and Development (Ushs Billion)

V. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS AND PLANNED OUTPUTS

Table 5.1: Performance Indicators

Programme: 07 Private Sector Development

SubProgramme: 01 Enabling Environment

Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services

Department: 001 Embassy in Mogadishu, Somalia

Budget Output: 000088 Investment Promotion

PIAP Output: Pipeline of bankable priority NDP3 projects developed for private investment

Programme Intervention: 070403 Undertake strategic and sustainable government investment and promote private sector partnerships in key growth areas

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023	3/24	Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
No. of symposiums, summits, engagements organized to market investment opportunities in Uganda	Number	2022/23	02	01	01	02

Programme: 16 Governance And Security

SubProgramme: 01 Institutional Coordination

Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services

Department: 001 Embassy in Mogadishu, Somalia

Budget Output: 000014 Administrative and Support Services

PIAP Output: Administration support services provided

Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services

	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Number of reports prepared	Number	2022/23	04	04	02	04

Project: 1714 Retooling of Mission in Mogadishu

Budget Output: 000003 Facilities and Equipment Management

PIAP Output: Administration support services provided

Programme Intervention: 160605 Undertake financing and administration of programme services

Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services

Project: 1714 Retooling of Mission in Mogadishu

Budget Output: 000003 Facilities and Equipment Management

PIAP Output: Administration support services provided

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Number of reports prepared	Number	2022/23	04	4	02	04

SubProgramme: 02 Security

Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services

Department: 001 Embassy in Mogadishu, Somalia

Budget Output: 460056 Consulars services

PIAP Output: Consular services provided to Ugandans both at home and abroad

Programme Intervention: 160714 Strengthen prevention of trafficking in persons (TIP)

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Number of cases of deceased Ugandans repatriated	Number	2022/23	05	05	01	05
Number of Documents certified for foreign use	Number	2022/23	20	20	34	20
Number of Ugandans facilitated to return home	Number	2022/23	10	10	30	10

Budget Output: 460057 Peace and security

PIAP Output: Mandate of AMISOM Forces in Somalia extended

Programme Intervention: 160709 Strengthen capacity and handle emerging and prevailing sophisticated crimes such as cyber-crimes

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				Target	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Quarterly reports on security situation in Somalia produced	Text	2022/23	04	04	02	04

Programme: 18 Development Plan Implementation

SubProgramme: 02 Resource Mobilization and Budgeting

Sub SubProgramme: 01 Overseas Mission Services

Department: 001 Embassy in Mogadishu, Somalia

Budget Output: 560009 Cooperation frameworks and Development Assisstance

PIAP Output: Bilateral and multilateral resources for national development sourced

Programme Intervention: 180109 Expand financing beyond the traditional sources

Indicator Name	Indicator Measure	Base Year	Base Level	2023/24		Performance Targets
				U	Q2 Performance	2024/25
Value (USD Million) of bilateral and multilateral resources for national development	Value	2022/23	0			3

VI. VOTE NARRATIVE

Vote Challenges

The withdrawal of funds for travel abroad has not only constrained the Mission from carrying out planned activities but also collection and transportation of funds from Bank of Uganda to Somalia.

Failure to follow up and implement decisions of the Joint Permanent Commissions and Investment and Business Summit due to absence of budget for workshops and seminars. JPC is a cooperation framework for diplomatic practice, a mechanism through which matters that transcend national borders are addressed and mutual interests promoted.

The salinity and corrosive nature of the environment in Somalia that requires a lot of funds on mentainance costs of Mission properties.

Security threat from extremists and terrorists.

Limited data on tourism, trade and investment to support negotiations with the host country.

Low response of Ugandans to trade fares due to past political instabilities.

Lack of harmonized trade policy frameworks.

Inability to follow up on decisions of summits, State Visits, JPCs, Conferences, symposium and conventions.

Inadequate institutional capacity to provide consular services for distressed Ugandans in countries of accreditation.

Increasing tariff and nontariff barriers against Uganda exports within Somalia.

Difficulty in mobilizing the Ugandans in the Somalia Diaspora, many of whom prefer to remain covert in Somalia.

Shortage of basic needs, such as the internet, making accessibility and communication very hard.

Scarcity of essential needs such as fuel, which made mobilization and mobility difficult.

Inadequate funding for most mission activities, as approximately 80 per cent of the funds released from the Treasury are spent on fixed costs such as rent and staff salaries thereafter, leaving very limited resources to fund planned activities.

Inadequate physical, financial and human resources to cover the vast area of Somalia.

Late release of funds, which has affected the timely implementation of planned activities of the Mission to effectively execute its mandate.

Inadequate Foreign Service Allowance and Education Allowance of children of Foreign Service Officers, rendering officers unable to cope up with the rising cost of living in the Somalia.

Inadequate funding to support gender and equity mainstreaming by the Mission

Plans to improve Vote Performance

Facilitate the Mission to promote and market Ugandan products in terms of availing them the relevant training in marketing, information on Marketable products, and Lobbying for additional funding of Commercial and Economic Diplomacy activities and further spearhead the peace process in the region.

Develop a database and register Ugandans in the diaspora disaggregated by sex, age and location.

Lobby for additional staff to effectively cover Somalia, as the area of accreditation.

Designate focal point follow-up persons and undertake quarterly review meetings on bilateral decisions, signed MoUs and Agreements. Facilitate the negotiations of appropriate legal framework on the bilateral export and exchange of labour.

Consider engaging more development partners to support implementation of Mission activities.

Develop and implement a brand strategy for the Mission.

Ensure Staff appreciation of the Vision, Mission and strategic interests.

Schedule monthly and quarterly meetings with staff to improve Performance Management in the Mission.

Provide Refresher Courses and training for staff in the provision of protocol services.

Strengthen coordination with other MDAs on matters of Protocol and Etiquette.

Complete construction of the Chancery building for the Embassy.

Mainstream Gender and equity in Mission activities.

VII. Off Budget Support and NTR Projections

Table 7.1: Off Budget Support by Project and Department

N/A

Revenue Code	Revenue Name	FY2023/24	Projection FY2024/25
142223	Document certification fees	0.001	0.002
Total		0.001	0.002

Table 7.2: NTR Projections(Uganda Shillings Billions)

VIII. VOTE CROSS CUTTING POLICY AND OTHER BUDGETARY ISSUES

Table 8.1: Cross- Cutting Policy Issues

i) Gender and Equity

OBJECTIVE	Gender mainstreaming at the Mission
Issue of Concern	High levels of marginalization of vulnerable groups more especially persons with disabilities, women and children
Planned Interventions	- Build capacity of staff in mainstreaming gender and equity in the Mission activities.
	-Collaborate with Ministry of Gender, Labor and Social Development and Equal Opportunities Commission onmatters of gender mainstreaming
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.010
Performance Indicators	05 staff trained in gender and equity mainstreaming.
	60% score in gender and equity assessment by Equal Opportunities Commission

ii) HIV/AIDS

OBJECTIVE	HIV/AIDS prevention and management
Issue of Concern	High HIV/AIDS prevalence rates especially among the Youth and Women
Planned Interventions	-Enhance HIV/AIDS Education, information dissemination, sensitization and awareness rising and advocacy programs.
	-Strengthen the capacity of the Sector to mainstream HIV/AIDS.
	-Support HIV/AIDS workplace programs at the Mission
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.010
Performance Indicators	04 of HIV/AIDS sensitization event held
	50 pieces of HIV/AIDS protective gear procured
	01 trip provided per Mission staff to reunite with his/her family

iii) Environment

OBJECTIVE	Advocating for environmental protection and conservation
Issue of Concern	Persistent global warming
Planned Interventions	Participate in activities aimed at advocating for environmental conservation and mitigating the persistent global warming
Budget Allocation (Billion)	0.010

Performance Indicators	05 activities aimed at advocating for environmental conservation and mitigating the persistent global warming participated in

iv) Covid

N/A

IX. PERSONNEL INFORMATION

 Table 9.1: Staff Establishment Analysis

N / A

Table 9.2: Staff Recruitment Plan

N / A