

# Actors of persecution or serious harm

## GUIDANCE NOTE

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A wide range of different groups and individuals can be considered as actors of persecution or serious harm in Somalia.

The following can be viewed as the main actors in Somalia:

## State actors

- Federal Government of Somalia (FGS) security forces
- Federal Member States (FMS) forces and Somaliland forces

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## Non-State actors

- Al-Shabaab
- Clans and militias
- Islamic State in Somalia (ISS)
- ATMIS/AMISOM
- AFRICOM

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- Other non-State actors

In specific situations, other non-State actors of persecution or serious harm may include the family or family/clan members (e.g. in the case of FGM/C, domestic violence, violence against LGBTIQ persons) or criminal groups.

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