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*Banadir Restaurant*                *Kulmiye Restaurant*  
*Waamo Restaurant*                *Safari Restaurant*  
*Sahaba Restaurant*                *Buulle Barber Shop*  
*Aden Halal meat*                    *Tawakel*  
*Amal Express*                        *Salama Halal meat*  
*Camel Boy*



**“Why Am I Still Here?”**

Free-Makhtal  
Working Coalition

presents  
***Town Hall  
Meeting***

Stanley A. Milner Library  
Edmonton, Alberta  
Time: 6:00 P.M.—8:30 P.M.  
May 10, 2009

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	<b>Mr. Ahmed-Yassin</b> , Presiding,
6:00 p.m.	Registration
6:25 p.m.	Welcome & Purpose Ms <b>Shahrazad Koni</b> , Free-Makhtal Working Coalition
6:30p.m.	Overview <b>Mr. Mohamed Accord</b> , Alberta Somali Community
6:40p.m.	Greetings <b>Mr. Doug Elniski</b> , Member of the legislative Assemble <b>Mr. Mohamed mayo</b> , Tools for humanity <b>Mr. Osman King</b> , Afro Canadian Justice <b>Mr. Carl Benito</b> , Member of the legislative Assemble
7:00 p.m.	Testament <b>Saed Makhtal</b> , Family representative
7:10	Status update on Bashir Makhtal's case <b>Letter from Honorable Minister John Baird</b> ,
7:15 p.m.	<b>Honorable Laurie Hawn</b> , Member of Parliament.
7:25 p.m.	Bashir's Case into Broader Context of Human Rights Abuses: The Somali Region in Ethiopia <b>Fowsiyo Abdulkadir</b> , OHRC, Free-Makhtal Working Coalition
7:35 p.m.	Political Prisoners, Genocide and crimes against humanity <b>Mr. Obang Metho</b> , Solidarity Movement for a New Ethiopia
7:45 p.m.	What explains the tepid efforts of the Canadian Government Bashir-Makhtal's behalf? <b>Keynote Address</b> <b>Professor Hussein Warsame</b> , Calgary University.
8:00 p.m.	<b>Q &amp; A</b>
8:15 p.m.	Closing Remarks:

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## Eminent Persons Panel

<b>Honorable Laurie Hawn</b> <i>Member of Parliament</i>
<b>Mr. Doug Elniski</b> <i>Member of the legislative Assemble</i>
<b>Mr. Carl Benito</b> <i>Member of the legislative Assemble</i>
<b>Mr. Bashir Ahmed</b> <i>Executive Director &amp; CEO SCERDO</i>
<b>Mr. Hassan Ali</b> <i>Somali Canadian Culture Society</i>
<b>Mr. Mohamed Maie</b> <i>CEO Tools for Humanity</i>
<b>Mr. Osman King</b> <i>Afro Canadian Justice</i> <i>Amnesty International</i>
<b>Mr. Mohamednur Madowe</b> <i>Brotherhood Community Support Service Ass.</i>

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## Special Thanks

<i>Shabrazad Koni</i>	<i>Yusuf Yusuf</i>
<i>Anissa Ali</i>	<i>Abdilasis Mohamed</i>
<i>Mahamed Ali</i>	<i>Omar Abdalla</i>
<i>Faadumo &amp; Hanad</i>	<i>Jama Nur</i>
<i>Hussein</i>	<i>Abdilasis Moalin</i>
<i>Hukun H</i>	<i>Mowlid</i>
<i>Mahamed Accord</i>	<i>Mohamed Moalin</i>
<i>Shahid Koni</i>	<i>Sucdi Bare</i>

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