

Attack on Hotel in Mogadishu, Somalia Kills 29



Mogadishu, October 30 (RHC)-- In Somalia, al-Shabab fighters stormed a hotel in the capital Mogadishu on Saturday, killing at least 29 people and wounding more than 30 others.

The attack began as militants set off a truck bomb to blast their way through the fortified entrance to the hotel. Minutes later, the fighters went room to room shooting guests. Witnesses say the men used identity cards from the country's intelligence service and were dressed in the agency's uniform.

The assault was carried out ahead of a planned meeting at the hotel between Somalia's president and other top officials. The latest attack came two weeks after a massive bombing in Mogadishu killed at least 358 people and wounded 400 others.

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