

SOMALI ECOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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Chairman: Mohamoud Ibrahim

Hon. President: John D. Leefe OBE

Dear **All**,

We here at **Somali Ecological Society** (SES) were truly sorry to hear of the loss of **John Leef OBE**. Please allow me, on behalf of all of us at **SES**, to extend my deepest sympathies to you and the all Leefe family as you struggle through this period of shock and grief.

I am sure many Somalis both former colleagues and former students of Afgoi School of Forestry and Wildlife will be shocked and saddened when they hear the passing of John Leefe and will no doubt send you condolence. Both I and my colleague Ibrahim were pleased to attend your father's funeral last Wednesday on behalf of many Somalis who could not attend but wanted to. Your father was co-founder of the Somali Ecological Society in 1983, and our Hon president until now. For further information about the excellent past achievement of the society please visit our web page. We intend to put his contribution to the conservation of Somali remaining natural resources on our web site soon, and will welcome any information that you may think will be useful, and will also, send you a copy.

Your father was very kind who he cared about Somali people and until his death used to say Mohamoud when will the Somali people enjoy peace? He also cared those he worked with and for me your father offered me advice, support and guidance which have shaped my career from 1982 as 19 years old until now. I could not have wished a better mentor, and teacher.

We intend and committed to keep your father's wonderful humanity and kindness by re-vitalising the work of the Society of which he was proud in its past achievements and that he has been actively working with me and others until his death.

Warm regards,

Mohamoud Ibrahim
Chair, SES