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Kenya to target Somalia weapons

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NAIROBI, Kenya — Kenyan

military aircraft will target and destroy weapons that were flown into Somalia on two planes and delivered to

Islamicist militants, a military official said Wednesday.

A U.N. arms-monitoring group has documented many instances of money, fighters and weapons being given to militants or flown into areas of Somalia they control. Ken-

ya's military on Tuesday said it had reliable information that two aircraft landed in the Somali town of Baidoa with weapons on board intended for al-Shabab militants.

A July report by the U.N.'s Monitoring Group on Somalia and Eritrea said that al-Shabab controls two large airports and one former military airport with asphalt runways. Al-Shabab may then be capable of chartering and

receiving deliveries by aircraft, it said. The report also said that illicit flights with weapons or fighters for Somali militants could be originating from Eritrea, Yemen or the United Arab Emirates. Eritrea on Tuesday denied it. Kenyan military spokesman Maj. Emmanuel Chirchir said Wednesday that military planes would target and attack those weapons so they cannot be used.