



## Visit of Mohamed Morsi, President of Egypt, to José Manuel Barroso: extracts from the joint press briefing

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On 13 September 2012, José Manuel Barroso, President of the EC, received the visit of Mohamed Morsi, President of Egypt, at the European Commission in Brussels. Following their meeting, they held a press briefing and shared their views on the situation in Egypt. On this occasion, José Manuel Barroso reiterated the commitment to work with Egypt to build a democratic, free and prosperous country. He also strongly condemned the continuing violence in Syria and recent attacks against the U.S. embassy in Libya.

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TIME	DESCRIPTION	DURATION
10:00:00	Title	00:00:05
10:00:05	Arrival of Mohamed Morsi, President of Egypt, and José Manuel Barroso, President of the EC, to the joint press briefing, at the European Commission in Brussels (2 shots)	00:00:05
10:00:10	Soundbite by José Manuel Barroso (in ENGLISH): We are extremely pleased with the reassurances given today by President Morsi regarding Egypt's unwavering commitment to Democracy and the Rule of Law and to the defence of Fundamental Rights and Freedoms for all Egyptian's irrespective of their gender or creed, the dignity of each human being. We have discussed this in very open terms with President Morsi, and I believe in his sincerity about that principle of human dignity and respect for every human life. And we have agreed upon it.	00:00:39
10:00:49	Cutaway of press	00:00:03

10:00:53	Soundbite by José Manuel Barroso (in ENGLISH): We are ready to offer Macro Financial Assistance worth €500 Million provided that the agreement that Egypt is currently negotiating with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) materialises. This agreement is an agreement that we strongly support. In addition, the EU is also ready to consider a budget support operation of €150-200 Million in support of an agreed Economic Recovery Plan. Today, I am happy to announce with President Morsi that we are now going to put in place a Task Force, EU-Egypt Task Force involving EU Institutions, our Member States and other international financial institutions. We are ready to hold this Task Force on 14/15 November. I am convinced that we can use this event as a catalyst for EU collective support, and also to restore investors' confidence in Egypt.	00:00:56
10:01:49	Soundbite by Mohamed Morsi (in EGYPTIAN ARABIC) saying that Egypt has moved towards a real, genuine, new future, a modern constitutional State. Egyptian authorities will not allow attacks on foreign embassies in Cairo, saying the Egyptian people reject such unlawful acts.	00:00:17
10:02:07	Cutaway of a photographer	00:00:03
10:02:10	Soundbite by Mohamed Morsi (in EGYPTIAN ARABIC) saying that the Egyptian authorities are keen to fulfilling the democratic transition in the country.	00:00:19
10:02:30	Cutaway of a cameraman	00:00:05
10:02:35	Soundbite by Mohamed Morsi (in EGYPTIAN ARABIC) that the EU assistance to Egypt could be a guarantee to attract new investment. In counterpart, Egypt could present investment projects.	00:00:27
10:03:03	Soundbite by José Manuel Barroso (in ENGLISH): Let me condemn in the most clear terms the attacks on the United States diplomatic installation that have caused the death of four people in Benghazi, namely the American Ambassador. There can be no justification for violence and for the loss of innocent lives. We call on the Lybian authorities to take all necessary measures to ensure such events not reoccur and of course to protect the diplomatic missions. I also know very firm position taken by President Morsi on this matter.	00:00:32
10:03:35	Mohamed Morsi and José Manuel Barroso shaking hands and leaving the press briefing (2 shots)	00:00:13

