



**Visit of Hassan Sheikh Mohamud, President of Somalia, to José Manuel Barroso: arrival, round table and extracts from the joint press statement**

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On 30 January 2013, José Manuel Barroso, President of the EC, received Hassan Sheikh Mohamud, President of Somalia, in Brussels. They held a joint press briefing following their meeting, which was the opportunity to discuss key issues in the bilateral relations between the EU and Somalia as well as the situation in Somalia and the future of Somalia.

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TIME	DESCRIPTION	DURATION
10:00:00	Title	00:00:05
10:00:05	José Manuel Barroso, President of the EC, shaking hands with Hassan Sheikh Mohamud, President of Somalia (3 shots)	00:00:20
10:00:25	Round table with José Manuel Barroso and Hassan Sheikh Mohamud (4 shots)	00:00:25
10:00:51	José Manuel Barroso and Hassan Sheikh Mohamud arriving at the press point	00:00:05
10:00:57	SOUNDBITE by José Manuel Barroso (in ENGLISH) saying that Somalia has turned a page and wishes to take ownership of its future and of the well-being of its people; he highlighted to President Mohamud during their meeting the importance of maintaining inclusive and accountable government, respect for human rights and basic freedoms, and the provision of basic social services to all Somalis; they discussed how the European Union can assist Somalia in achieving these objectives.	00:00:25
10:01:22	Cutaway of cameraman	00:00:05
10:01:28	SOUNDBITE by José Manuel Barroso (in ENGLISH) saying that the EU attaches great importance to Somali ownership and is listening to Somali needs and priorities; they also discussed the EU's continued support for security, which is key to creating an environment conducive to sustainable economic growth, where development can take hold and where men and women can contribute to the socio-economic revival of the	00:00:32

	can contribute to the socio-economic revival of the country; making sure that Somalia is at peace with its neighbours is equally important; saying that he encouraged Somalia's active and positive engagement in the region.	
10:02:00	Cutaway	00:00:03
10:02:03	SOUNDBITE by Hassan Sheikh Mohamud (in ENGLISH) saying that Somalia never forgot who helped when it was needed; most EU naval forces have successfully reduced the threat of piracy; the EU and Somalia need to work together in a view of dealing with the causes of piracy, which include poverty, chaos, lawlessness, so that the young people in Somalia can have a better future and more decent lives; that is an area where the EU has proven to be really supportive for Somalia; they discussed these issues with President Barroso.	00:00:36
10:02:40	Cutaway of the speakers	00:00:04
10:02:44	SOUNDBITE by Hassan Sheikh Mohamud (in ENGLISH) saying that they are working for a Somalia which is at peace with itself and at peace with the neighbouring countries, with the region and with the world at large; they look to the future with hope, pride and optimism; they have agreed to work very closely on many issues which include combating all threats from piracy, extremism, poverty and also to rebuild Somali institutions.	00:00:32
10:03:17	Speakers leaving (2 shots)	00:00:10