



### ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly: - extracts from the address by Andris PIEBALGS, Member of the EC in charge of Development - extracts from the session - ambiance shots

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The 25th session of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly takes place in Brussels this week, bringing together Members of the European Parliament and the elected representatives of the African, Caribbean and Pacific States that have signed the Cotonou Agreement. During the morning session, Louis MICHEL, ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly Co-President stated that Mali should held elections at the end of July as its only way to restore legitimacy. In the afternoon session, delegates were addressed by Andris PIEBALGS, EC Development Commissioner. He stressed the need for international cooperation between ACP and EU and for better policies regarding women rights and gender equality in the area. Parliamentary representatives of the 78 ACP countries and 78 MEPs meet twice a year in Joint Parliamentary Assembly, once in the EU country holding the EU Council presidency and once in a country determined by the ACP.



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TIME	DESCRIPTION	DURATION
00:00:00	TITLE	00:00:05
00:00:05	Exterior shot of the European Parliament, Brussels	00:00:05
00:00:10	Cutaway shots with delegate members arriving at the conference (3 shots)	00:00:19
00:00:29	Cutaway shots interior of the conference venue and participants arriving (16 shots)	00:01:08
00:01:37	Arrival of Andris PIEBALGS, EC Development Commissioner	00:00:05
00:01:42	Cutaway shots delegates arriving at the conference (5 shots)	00:00:20
00:02:02	SOUNDBITE (English) Andris PIEBALGS, EC Development Commissioner: "I am delighted that both Europe leaders and ACP Council of Ministers have agreed to have the figure of €31.5 billion for cooperation with ACP states for the period of 2014 to 2020."	00:00:22

00:02:24	SOUNDBITE (English) Andris PIEBALGS, EC Development Commissioner: "The EU intends to be a constructive and dynamic player in the global efforts to forge a workable post 2015 development framework. Our policy proposal is called "A Decent Life for All: Ending Poverty and Giving the World a Sustainable Future". The key responsibility for achievements and new goals should lie with governments worldwide, but within a wider partnership involving all players such as civil society and the private sector. This does not mean that the need for development funding has declined - many countries will still need our help. What it does do however is that funding has to evolve along the lines proposed in the agenda for change, a shift from development to international cooperation to help people empower themselves."	00:01:01
00:03:25	SOUNDBITE (English) Andris PIEBALGS, EC Development Commissioner: "An overarching post 2015 framework should be truly universal in its application. I know this is something you support. I particularly welcome the new focus on women empowerment, gender equality and the creation of peaceful and stable societies."	00:00:22
00:03:47	Cutaway shots with delegates attending the conference (10 shots)	00:00:44
00:04:31	END	00:00:00