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The Heads of State or Government of the European Union gathered in Brussels on 22 and 23 November 2012 for an extraordinary meeting of the European Council on the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) 2014-2020. Negotiations on the new budget were very tough, against the backdrop of economic crisis and high tensions between the Member States who wanted to reduce EU spending and the others in favour of the European Commission's proposal. Ahead of the European Council, Herman van Rompuy, President of the European Council, and José Manuel Barroso, President of the EC, had held bilateral meetings with several Member States to reach a compromise. The European Council meeting ended up without agreement. The Heads of State or Government decided to reconvene early in January 2013 to find an agreement.



HEURE	DESCRIPTION	DUREE
00:00:00	Credits and title	00:00:20
00:00:20	1. GENERAL ATMOSPHERE	00:02:47
00:00:20	Title	00:00:05
00:00:25	General atmosphere inside the Council's press room (14 shots)	00:01:02
00:01:27	Cutaway of cameramen	00:01:14
00:02:41	General atmosphere outside the Council's building (at night)	00:00:14
00:02:55	Eurovision room (2 shots)	00:00:13
00:03:07	2. ARRIVALS AT BILATERAL MEETINGS (22/11/2012 - starting at 9:00 AM)	00:45:15
00:03:07	Title	00:00:05
00:03:12	Arrival of Demetris Christofias, President of Cyprus - Round table with Herman van Rompuy, President of the European Council, and José Manuel Barroso, President of the EC (3 shots)	00:00:24

00:03:37	Arrival of David Cameron, British Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) on the EU budget, saying that he is not happy at all with the latest budget proposal; these are very important negotiations; at a time when very difficult decisions are made at home regarding public spending, it would be quite wrong to have proposals for extra spending in the EU; the UK is going to be negotiating very hard for a good deal for Britain's taxpayers and for the European taxpayers, and to keep the British rebate. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (13 shots)	00:01:18
00:04:55	Arrival of Elio Di Rupo, Belgian Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in DUTCH and FRENCH) on the EU budget, saying that Belgium and the EU need an ambitious budget with more solidarity between the Member States; Belgium wants active policies in the agricultural field, for transition regions and regions which are in trouble like Limburg; cutting spending would affect all these policies. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (17 shots)	00:03:43
00:08:37	Arrival of Traian Băsescu, President of Romania - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (7 shots)	00:00:52
00:09:29	Arrival of Jean-Claude Juncker, Luxembourgish Prime Minister and President of the Eurogroup - SOUNDBITE (in GERMAN) on the EU budget, saying that he expects really difficult negotiations; the poles are so apart that it will be difficult to agree; the EU doesn't really need so much more money, neither less; Member States have to find a proper way to fund the EU. (8 shots)	00:01:08
00:10:37	Arrival of Lawrence Gonzi, Maltese Prime Minister - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (10 shots)	00:00:51
00:11:28	Arrival of Valdis Dombrovskis, Latvian Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) on the EU budget, saying that he hopes Member States will be able to negotiate and reach a deal during this summit; it is important that all the 27 countries are open-minded, willing to reach an agreement and ready to compromise; many proposals foresee less money to compare with the Commission's proposal; most of the discussions will be about how to come up with less money than the Commission has proposed. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (14 shots)	00:02:19

00:13:46	Arrival of Enda Kenny, Irish Prime Minister - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (9 shots)	00:00:59
00:14:45	Arrival of Mark Rutte, Dutch Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in DUTCH) on the EU budget, saying that he is poised for tough wrangling at this summit, warning a deal may not be reached; insisting the seven-year budget should be modern and sober; saying that it should reflect budget cuts at home while supporting innovation and research; it will be a real fight; the French, Southern Europe, Northern Europe, the British, all have demands; it is extremely complex and he is not sure it will happen in one go. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (9 shots)	00:03:30
00:18:15	Arrival of Petr Nečas, Czech Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in CZECH) on the EU budget - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (13 shots)	00:02:33
00:20:48	Arrival of Zoran Milanović, Croatian Prime Minister - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (10 shots)	00:01:05
00:21:53	Arrival of Antonis Samaras, Greek Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in GREEK) on the EU budget - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (9 shots)	00:01:31
00:23:24	Arrival of Fredrik Reinfeldt, Swedish Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in SWEDISH and ENGLISH) on the EU budget, saying that the levels are still too high and the structure is not as modern as it should be; the EU has huge competitiveness problems and too much of the resources are directed to what Europe was and not to what Europe should become; saying that he is not in a hurry and negotiations will take a long time. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (11 shots)	00:01:46
00:25:10	Arrival of Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of Lithuania - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) on the EU budget, saying that she expects at least an agreement; as former Member of the EC in charge of Budget, she is in favour of austerity. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (9 shots)	00:01:11
00:26:22	Arrival of Helle Thorning-Schmidt, Danish Prime Minister - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (6 shots)	00:00:53

00:27:14	Arrival of Donald Tusk, Polish Prime Minister - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (9 shots)	00:00:46
00:28:01	Arrival of Pedro Passos Coelho, Portuguese Prime Minister - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (9 shots)	00:00:58
00:28:59	Arrival of Jyrki Katainen, Finnish Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) on the EU budget, saying that he hopes to get an overall budget a little bit smaller than it is at the moment in the final proposal but the main target is to get a deal; more time will not make things easier; he also hopes to find a solution which is suitable for the UK because the objective is to build a budget for EU 27; there are some disagreements with the budgetary lines but all Member States must to be ready for compromise. (7 shots)	00:01:53
00:30:52	Arrival of Boyko Borissov, Bulgarian Prime Minister - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (10 shots)	00:00:53
00:31:45	Arrival of Mario Monti, Italian Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in ITALIAN) on the EU budget, saying that this is a very serious and difficult negotiation; at stake are the next seven years of the European Union; there are three key objectives which are equality, solidarity and effective use of resources; Italy has been disproportionately penalized; it is essential that Italy has the best results today as regards the Cohesion Fund, the fund for agriculture, and the sharing mechanism; it will not accept unacceptable solutions and will be willing to work in a constructive way. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (11 shots)	00:02:47
00:34:32	Arrival of Andrus Ansip, Estonian Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) on the EU budget, saying that he hopes the Council will be able to find a solution and that Europe will get the next budget; saying also that according to his understanding, cuts are possible but then there won't be European policies at all; this is not an option. (6 shots)	00:01:41
00:36:12	Arrival of Janez Janša, Slovenian Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in SLOVENIAN) on the EU budget. (6 shots)	00:01:50
00:38:02	Arrival of Viktor Orbán, Hungarian Prime Minister (6 shots)	00:00:26

00:38:28	Arrival of Angela Merkel, German Federal Chancellor - SOUNDBITE (in GERMAN) on the EU budget, saying that it is important to restrain and make better use of European spending; saying also that each Member State will have to show a spirit of compromise, although it may not be possible to reach an agreement on the seven-year budget and a further round of negotiations may be required at a later date. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (12 shots)	00:02:09
00:40:37	Arrival of François Hollande, President of the French Republic - SOUNDBITE (in FRENCH) on the EU budget, saying that France defends a budget that provides enough to ensure that policies on growth can be fully promoted; the budget must also be mastered because there are constraints across Europe; France and Europe have priorities which are research and innovation, transport, infrastructure, but also the common agricultural policy; saying also that France and Germany are seeking a compromise, not an ultimatum. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (11 shots)	00:01:52
00:42:28	Arrival of Mariano Rajoy Brey, Spanish Prime Minister - SOUNDBITE (in SPANISH) on the EU budget, saying that negotiations will not be easy; everyone is participating in the summit with the aim of reaching a deal; outlining the Spanish priorities of spending, including agriculture and food industry, as well as cohesion funds. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (9 shots)	00:02:35
00:45:04	Arrival of Robert Fico, Slovak Prime Minister - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (8 shots)	00:00:49
00:45:53	Arrival of Werner Faymann, Austrian Federal Chancellor - SOUNDBITE (in GERMAN) on the EU budget, saying that he expects the summit to last days and nights; it is also possible that agreement will be reached in January or February 2013; saying also that Austria will not accept loss of its rebate, and will oppose proposed cuts in EU spending on rural development. - Round table with Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (14 shots)	00:02:29
00:48:22	3. ARRIVALS AT EUROPEAN COUNCIL (22/11/2012 - starting at 9:00 PM)	00:11:42
00:48:22	Title	00:00:05
00:48:27	Arrival of Lawrence Gonzi (3 shots)	00:00:17
00:48:45	Arrival of David Cameron (7 shots)	00:00:33

00:49:18	Arrival of Antonis Samaras - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) on the bailout, saying that Greece has done its part; now it is the turn of EU partners and the IMF to deliver as well; saying also that cohesion is an issue of competitiveness and growth for the whole of the EU, not just for the countries that have the greatest needs. (5 shots)	00:00:58
00:50:16	Arrival of Jean-Claude Juncker - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) saying that he will have a meeting with Antonis Samaras on the bailout issue. (5 shots)	00:00:46
00:51:02	Arrival of Mark Rutte (6 shots)	00:00:28
00:51:30	Arrival of Petr Nečas (5 shots)	00:00:28
00:51:58	Arrival of Valdis Dombrovskis (6 shots)	00:00:33
00:52:31	Arrival of Fredrik Reinfeldt (6 shots)	00:00:31
00:53:02	Arrival of Zoran Milanović (7 shots)	00:00:37
00:53:39	Arrival of Donald Tusk (8 shots)	00:00:37
00:54:17	Arrival of Traian Băsescu (4 shots)	00:00:19
00:54:36	Arrival of Jyrki Katainen (6 shots)	00:00:29
00:55:05	Arrival of Helle Thorning-Schmidt - SOUNDBITE (in DANISH) on the EU budget. (9 shots)	00:01:05
00:56:09	Arrival of Martin Schulz, President of the European Parliament (6 shots)	00:00:32
00:56:41	Arrival of Demetris Christofias - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) saying he hopes that an agreement will be reached. (6 shots)	00:00:46
00:57:27	Arrival of Enda Kenny - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) on bank recapitalization and on the EU budget, saying that the EU faces a number of serious challenges regarding its budget; Ireland will strongly defend the potential of the CAP and of the Cohesion Funds with a reference to employment; saying that he will also raise the importance of the peace element of the funding for Northern Ireland; the discussions are starting from a very pessimistic basis; there has been some movement during the course of the day; it remains to be seen whether an agreement can actually be reached; in the absence of an agreement, Ireland would be in a very difficult position when running the EU Presidency as from 01/01/2013. (6 shots)	00:02:15
00:59:42	Arrival of Elio Di Rupo (2 shots)	00:00:21
01:00:04	4. ROUND TABLE (22/11/2012)	00:03:33
01:00:04	Title	00:00:05

01:00:09	Martin Schulz with Dalia Grybauskaitė and Valdis Dombrovskis (2 shots)	00:00:09
01:00:17	Arrival of Andrus Ansip and Robert Fico	00:00:11
01:00:29	Arrival of Jean-Claude Juncker	00:00:13
01:00:41	Arrival of Mario Monti	00:00:08
01:00:49	Arrival of Angela Merkel - joining Pedro Passos Coelho (3 shots)	00:00:24
01:01:13	Angela Merkel and Pedro Passos Coelho joined by Jean-Claude Juncker (3 shots)	00:00:13
01:01:27	Cutaway of cameramen	00:00:04
01:01:31	Arrival of Mark Rutte - joining Angela Merkel, Pedro Passos Coelho and Jean-Claude Juncker	00:00:11
01:01:42	General view	00:00:13
01:01:55	Arrival of Helle Thorning-Schmidt - joined by Jean-Claude Juncker	00:00:09
01:02:04	Arrival of Herman van Rompuy and José Manuel Barroso (2 shots)	00:00:16
01:02:20	Arrival of François Hollande	00:00:10
01:02:30	Traian Băsescu and Herman van Rompuy	00:00:06
01:02:36	Arrival of David Cameron - joining Mark Rutte (2 shots)	00:00:13
01:02:49	Arrival of Enda Kenny and Fredrik Reinfeldt	00:00:05
01:02:54	François Hollande with Helle Thorning-Schmidt and Werner Faymann	00:00:06
01:03:00	Angela Merkel with Andrus Ansip, Mark Rutte and David Cameron	00:00:05
01:03:05	Enda Kenny and Demetris Christofias	00:00:05
01:03:10	José Manuel Barroso	00:00:04
01:03:13	Mariano Rajoy Brey	00:00:05
01:03:18	General view	00:00:19
01:03:37	5. GROUP PHOTO	00:03:17
01:03:37	Title	00:00:05
01:03:42	Arrivals of the EU Heads of State or Government (6 shots)	00:00:59

01:04:41	Group photo (13 shots)from left to right,in the 1st row: Robert Fico, Jean-Claude Juncker, Mario Monti, Enda Kenny, Martin Schulz, Traian Băsescu, Demetris Christofias, Herman van Rompuy, Dalia Grybauskaitė, François Hollande, José Manuel Barroso, Antonis Samaras, Valdis Dombrovskis, Mark Rutte, and Uwe Corsepius, Secretary General of the Council of the EU;in the 2nd row: Zoran Milanović, Helle Thorning-Schmidt, Donald Tusk, Viktor Orbán, Elio Di Rupo, Mariano Rajoy Brey, Fredrik Reinfeldt, Petr Nečas, Janez Janša, Pedro Passos Coelho, Angela Merkel, Jyrki Katainen, Werner Faymann, Boyko Borissov, Andrus Ansip, David Cameron, and Lawrence Gonzi.	00:01:46
01:06:27	Departure (2 shots)	00:00:27
01:06:54	6. ARRIVALS AT EUROPEAN COUNCIL (Day two - 23/11/2012)	00:08:47
01:06:54	Title	00:00:05
01:06:59	Arrival of Herman van Rompuy (3 shots)	00:00:13
01:07:13	Arrival of Dalia Grybauskaitė - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) saying she would be happy if the Member States were able to finish and agree; President van Rompuy's proposal, from her point of view, is a very good start for negotiations. (2 shots)	00:00:23
01:07:36	Arrival of Valdis Dombrovskis (2 shots)	00:00:08
01:07:44	Arrival of Werner Faymann - SOUNDBITE (in GERMAN) saying that there is no agreement between the 27; the big concern is that a solution must be found for 7 years; and with the financial crisis, it is a priority to try and boost growth.	00:00:37
01:08:21	Arrival of Petr Nečas (2 shots)	00:00:06
01:08:26	Arrival of Mario Monti	00:00:08
01:08:34	Arrival of François Hollande (3 shots)	00:00:19
01:08:53	Arrival of David Cameron - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) saying that he does not think there has been enough progress so far; there hasn't been any progress in cutting back proposals for additional spending; it is not a time for moving money from one part of the budget to another; Member States need unaffordable spending cut; that is what is happening at home, and what needs to happen at European level. (3 shots)	00:00:37
01:09:30	Arrival of José Manuel Barroso (3 shots)	00:00:14
01:09:44	Arrival of Andrus Ansip	00:00:07

01:09:51	Arrival of Mariano Rajoy Brey (3 shots)	00:00:11
01:10:03	Arrival of Fredrik Reinfeldt (2 shots)	00:00:10
01:10:13	Arrival of Mark Rutte - SOUNDBITE (in DUTCH) saying that the Netherlands need to save money, same goes for Europe. (2 shots)	00:00:18
01:10:30	Arrival of Pedro Passos Coelho (2 shots)	00:00:07
01:10:37	Arrival of Donald Tusk (3 shots)	00:00:14
01:10:51	Arrival of Jyrki Katainen - SOUNDBITE (in ENGLISH) saying that the new van Rompuy's proposal has reallocated some resources but the overall level is exactly the same as in the previous one; so it is very difficult to say how far Member States will go, everything is open. (3 shots)	00:00:33
01:11:25	Arrival of Helle Thorning-Schmidt (3 shots)	00:00:18
01:11:43	Arrival of Angela Merkel - SOUNDBITE (in GERMAN) saying that they looked into the proposal of President van Rompuy; but negotiation is still needed; it is not dramatic if the EU does not find an agreement; there could be a first step; the positions are still apart; more time will be needed before a second round of negotiations. (3 shots)	00:00:50
01:12:33	Arrival of Boyko Borissov (2 shots)	00:00:07
01:12:40	Arrival of Jean-Claude Juncker - SOUNDBITE (in FRENCH) saying that President van Rompuy's last proposal goes in the right direction but he does not think the EU will be able to find an agreement on that basis; there has been progress but it is not enough. (4 shots)	00:00:29
01:13:09	Arrival of Enda Kenny (2 shots)	00:00:11
01:13:20	Arrival of Elio Di Rupo - SOUNDBITE (in FRENCH) saying that the new proposal is not enough in the fields of agriculture, EU funds - for Flanders as for Wallonia - and in terms of customs taxes; the proposal would cost a lot to Belgium; saying that they will try to improve things. (4 shots)	00:00:39
01:13:59	Arrival of Viktor Orbán (5 shots)	00:00:15
01:14:15	Arrival of Zoran Milanović (3 shots)	00:00:18
01:14:32	Arrival of Demetris Christofias (4 shots)	00:00:19
01:14:51	Arrival of Janez Janša (2 shots)	00:00:07
01:14:58	Arrival of Traian Băsescu (2 shots)	00:00:09
01:15:07	Arrival of Antonis Samaras (3 shots)	00:00:11

01:15:18	Arrival of Lawrence Gonzi (2 shots)	00:00:08
01:15:27	Arrival of Robert Fico (3 shots)	00:00:14
01:15:41	7. EXTRACTS FROM THE PRESS CONFERENCE	00:05:09
01:15:41	Title	00:00:05
01:15:46	Arrival of José Manuel Barroso and Herman van Rompuy at the press conference (3 shots)	00:00:26
01:16:12	SOUNDBITE by Herman van Rompuy (in ENGLISH) saying that the European Council gives its President the mandate, together with the President of the European Commission, to continue the work and pursue consultations in the following weeks to find a consensus among the 27 Member States over the Union's Multiannual Financial Framework for the period 2014-2020; saying that the bilateral talks the previous day and the constructive discussion within the European Council show a sufficient degree of potential convergence to make an agreement possible at the beginning of 2013.	00:00:45
01:16:56	Cutaway of press	00:00:04
01:17:00	SOUNDBITE by José Manuel Barroso (in ENGLISH) saying that anything short of admitting that the talks have been extraordinarily complex and difficult would not reflect reality; at the same time it is true that those talks were constructive, but these are difficult and complex issues because they touch upon vital interests of our Union, of the Member States, of the citizens; Heads of State or Government and all the Members of the European Council now understand each other's positions better; from that point of view it was a real constructive debate; but the reality is that they are not yet at the point of reaching consensus and they need another round before concluding.	00:00:50
01:17:50	Cutaway	00:00:04