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AU High Representative H.E. Rawlings mediates on the Somali parliament crises.

Mogadishu – January 25th 2012: The African Union High Representative for Somalia H.E. Jerry John Rawlings paid a one day visit to Mogadishu where he held meetings with various stakeholders as part of the AU's continued efforts to resolve the current political standoff in the Transitional Federal Parliament (TFP).

H.E. Rawlings held talks with the president of the Transitional Federal Government (TFG) H.E. Sheikh Sharif Sheikh Ahmed, Prime Minister H.E. Abdiweli Mohammed Ali and UN Special Representative for Somalia Ambassador Augustine Mahiga at Villa Somalia before holding separate meetings with all the parties involved in the current political crises in parliament.

Speaking to journalists shortly after meeting President Sheikh Sharif Sheikh Ahmed, H.E. Jerry John Rawlings said that on behalf of the African Union, he is committed to help in resolving the current crises in parliament.

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