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Conclusions of the Workshop Consolidation of the Saharawi State 44TH EUCOCO

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2020 WORK PLAN

The work carried out during 2019 to carry out the programme agreed in EUCOCO 2018, which has counted on the Follow-up Commission of the Workshop, the SADR authorities and the Solidarity Movement as well as the sessions of the Workshop of the EUCOCO 2019 workshop, proposes the concretion of the priorities for the work to be carried out in 2020.

- 1. To promote a CAMPAIGN of pressure so that the Spanish Government, due to its status as the administering power of the territory and its responsibility, declares in 2020:
 - The nullity of the 1975 Madrid Agreements and the promotion of the necessary political initiatives in defence of the legitimate right of the Saharawi people to self-determination.
 - To recognise the diplomatic status of the representation of the Polisario Front in Spain, as the sole representative of the Saharawi people.
 - To significantly increase humanitarian and development cooperation with the Saharawi refugee population.



 Obligation to cease the plundering of natural resources and the application of the judgment of the Court of Justice of the European Union.

For all of the above, it is proposed:

- A Monitoring Committee composed of the TASK Force and the Coordinating Committee of Spain.
- Send letters immediately to all political parties represented in the Congress of Deputies of the Spanish State with these demands and arrange direct meetings with each of the political parties.
- 2. **Continue to support and promote political initiatives**, putting pressure on international organisations (UN and EU) and the governments of Morocco, France and Spain (the administering power of the territory):
 - The referendum on self-determination and independence of Western Sahara is held.
 - Cessation of the plundering of natural resources.
 - An end to the repression of human rights by the Moroccan government in Western Sahara and the release of all Saharawi political prisoners in Moroccan prisons, as well as the opening of the territory to international observer commissions.
- 3. The priorities for continuing to support the development of the Saharawi State by 2020 will focus on empowerment:
 - The National Health System.
 - The National Education System.
 - Strengthening the Civil Service.



- Job creation in the camps, especially for women and youth.
- The democratic participation of the population.
- The development of liberated territories.
- 4. To achieve the above, it is necessary to face the establishment of a system of incentives and motivations to maintain the Saharawi workers who support these public services that maintain these public services in the refugee camps, preventing their emigration and guaranteeing service to the population in minimum conditions. This implies, among other tasks, the following:
 - Prepare a report with the situation of each Ministry, regarding the maintenance of an incentive system, as well as the necessary budget, evaluation of the experiences that are being carried out, existing resources,...
 - Ensure phased implementation and sustainability.

To this end, the Ministry of Public Service will draw up a Master Plan, which will take into account objective criteria for incentives, avoid inequalities, establish common criteria both for Sahrawi civil servants and for the workers of other entities (NGOs, Associations, International Agencies, etc.).

- 5. In order to achieve the resources aimed at establishing an incentive system in the civil service, it is necessary to involve:
 - The Spanish state as the administering power of Western Sahara.
 - The European Union and the United Nations Agencies.
 - Cities, regional and national governments.



The Follow-up Commission will promote a permanent lobbying action to reach these funds for this purpose.

Similarly, the need for incentives to ensure the viability of projects needs to be technically substantiated.

6. It is essential to substantially increase the projects oriented to:

- Humanitarian cooperation to meet basic needs.
- Development cooperation to create jobs and enable development actions.
- Projects for the development of liberated territories.
- Resources to meet needs in occupied areas.
- Projects to support the administrative functions of wilayas and dairas.

To this end, the SADR Ministry of Cooperation will draw up a proposal for 2020.

- 7. Continue to manage the incorporation of other countries, new cities and regional governments to collaborate in:
 - Technical training for Saharawi workers.
 - Technical advice on specific issues.
 - To take advantage of experience in the management of public services.
 - Administrative and bureaucratic functioning.
 - The contribution of economic and material resources.

This will be promoted new **twinning** with the wilayas and Saharawi dairas and three events will be held:

• A FEDISSAH General Assembly in February 2020.



- The II Conference of Cities of Solidarity with an international character.
- The possibility of holding the First Latin American and Caribbean Conference in May 2020.
- 8. Incorporate in our discourse **the commitment with the impulse** of the Objectives of Sustainable Development (ODS). It is a political agreement of almost all the governments of the planet and applicable in all contents to the situation of Western Sahara.
- 9. Functioning of the Follow-up Commission for the Workshop to promote and coordinate the 2020 Work Plan. The Commission will be composed of the Saharawi leaders and the solidarity movement of the different countries that coordinate these issues. The Commission will have a Coordination Secretariat to facilitate the operation and permanent follow-up of the approved plan, as well as the coordination of the calendar of scheduled meetings. The first meeting will be held in January.

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