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TAKE ACTION FOR WESTERN SAHARA!

With the current challenges to international law and the right of peoples to self-determination, we ask our supporters to work with us.

Dear Supporter

The UK must keep to its commitment to uphold the right of the Saharawi to self-determination.

At a time when international law is under threat, Morocco is very active in Westminster, lobbying MPs and putting pressure on ministers to change the UK's position on self-determination.

The UK, as one of the five permanent members, holds an important position in the UN Security Council. It is the only permanent member to clearly uphold the Saharawi people's right to self-determination.

The US, the UK and the EU all condemn Russia's invasion and occupation of part of Ukraine and have imposed sanctions. But when it comes to Morocco's occupation of Western Sahara the silence is deafening.

You Can Make a Difference!

Please write to [your MP](#) now and ask them to write to the Foreign Secretary David Lammy MP, copied to Hamish Falconer MP, Under-Secretary of State, FCDO.

<https://www.parliament.uk/mps-lords-and-offices/mps/>

Use your own words in these communications if possible to maximize your impact.

For guidance, you can consider the following points.

The UK government should uphold international law, by

- maintaining a focus on **self-determination**, which is the legal right of the Saharawi people
- confirming the UK's commitment to upholding all the obligations of the UN Charter
- resisting efforts to impose a political settlement that affects sovereignty without consulting the Saharawi people. *This would go against the fundamental principles of democracy and self-determination and would not produce lasting peace by excluding the people whose consent is necessary to ensure a sustainable peace*
- setting a date for a free and fair referendum to be carried out in Western Sahara with an option for independence.

Not upholding the principles of international law and the right of the Saharawi people to self-determination would send the message to aggressors globally that military annexation and occupation are viable foreign policy tools to expand territorial ambitions and have ramifications for wider British interests elsewhere in the world.

The WSC works in solidarity with the Saharawi people to generate political support in order to advance their right to self-determination and promote their human rights