

**BUILDING ALTERNATIVES:
VYTVÁŘÍME ALTERNATIVY:**
2ND CONGRESS OF THE  **EuropeanLEFT**
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ADOPTED MOTION

On the Issue of the Western Sahara

The Second Congress of the European Left:

Keeping in mind that the issue of Western Sahara is a decolonisation problem and that its solution has to do with the basic right of the Saharawi people to self-determination and independence;

It expresses its support to the legitimate struggle of the Western Sahara people and to the UN efforts to reach a just, peaceful and comprehensive solution in accordance with the UN resolutions recognizing its right to self-determination;

The Congress calls Morocco and the POLISARIO Front to continue the direct negotiations led by the United Nations, in order to reach a just solution in accordance with the right to self-determination and with the international law;

Deeply worried by the Moroccan policy of repression and oppression the Western Sahara, the Congress **URGES** the Moroccan authorities to stop their policy of justice denial, of huge violations of human rights and ask for the immediate release of all Saharawi political prisoners;

The congress condemns that many European delegations – especially the *ad hoc* delegation of the European Parliament – were denied access into the Western Sahara territory; it demands the Western Sahara territory to be opened to independent observers, human rights organisations and international media as well;

It demands the European Union to reconsider the fishing agreement signed with the Kingdom of Morocco to have illegal control over the territorial waters of Western Sahara, which is in contrary to the international law. In Western Sahara there is a decolonisation process going on hence its natural resources should be preserved and defended against illegal exploitation.