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Letter dated 21 April 2021 from the Permanent Representative of Guinea-Bissau to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Upon instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit herewith a letter dated 19 April 2021 addressed to the Secretary-General from the Principal Secretary of the Movement “Sahrawis for Peace”, Hach Ahmed, regarding the question of Western Sahara (see annex).

“Sahrawis for Peace” is a dissident movement of Frente POLISARIO, that seeks and supports a political solution to the issue of Western Sahara, through the United Nations political process.

The Principal Secretary of “Sahrawis for Peace”, Hach Ahmed, is the brother of the former representative of Frente POLISARIO in New York, the late Bukhari Ahmed.

I should be grateful if this letter and its annex were circulated and issued as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Henrique Adriano **Da Silva**
Ambassador, Permanent Representative



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Ahead of the meeting that the United Nations Security Council plans to hold in the coming days on the situation in Western Sahara, allow me to express our concern about the risks that are looming in the region following the unilateral breaking by Frente Polisario of the ceasefire that has been in place since 1991. We are concerned that such developments, and the determination of Frente Polisario to continue to ignore the ceasefire, will bring our region to the edge of a precipice once again.

You will agree with me that the only explanation for this dynamic of rushing forward headlong is the absence of a lasting political situation that would put an end to the suffering of the Sahrawi population in the Tindouf camps and allow the desired reconciliation of the Sahrawis.

It is more urgent than ever for the international community to make a firm commitment to moving the political process forward and achieving as soon as possible a just and lasting solution in accordance with the resolutions of the Security Council. At this critical juncture, we call upon all parties to exercise the utmost restraint, in order to promote the immediate resumption of the political process and ensure an atmosphere conducive to dialogue.

The Sahrawis for Peace Movement welcomes and thanks you for your dedicated and tireless efforts towards the relaunching of the political process, and we urge the international community to support the efforts to appoint a new Personal Envoy. We also call upon all parties to participate in the positive dynamic that you are trying to instil in the process.

Rest assured that we will spare no effort to raise the awareness of the international community with regard to the need to support your persistent efforts towards the resumption of the political process.

(Signed) Hach **Ahmed**
First Secretary of the Sahrawis for Peace Movement
