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Letter dated 23 May 1979 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Mauritania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to inform you of the position of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania concerning the question of the Sahara and the problems relating thereto:

- 1. Mauritania is prepared to implement forthwith the provisions of the two resolutions adopted by the General Assembly in 1975 on the question of the Sahara (resolutions 3458 A and B (XXX)).
- 2. Mauritania is also prepared to study ways and means of achieving self-determination in the Sahara.
- 3. Mauritania remains in favour of the dialogue with POLISARIO with a view to achieving the practical implementation of the principle of self-determination.
- 4. Mauritania is equally prepared to normalize its relations with Algeria in order to re-establish the traditional links of friendship and brotherhood that existed between the two countries.

I should be grateful if you would circulate this letter as a General Assembly document under item 18 of the preliminary list.

(<u>Signed</u>) Mamadou KANE Chargé d'affaires a.i.

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