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Subject: Autonomy Is Annexation

Dear Sirs,

We respectfully request that the following letter be conveyed to **The President of the United States, Mr. Donald J. Trump.**

Mr. President,

On behalf of **Adala UK**, a British organization committed to the **defense of international law, the advancement of justice, and the protection of human rights**, I write to you with profound concern regarding recent reports that you have stated Moroccan sovereignty over **Western Sahara** to be “*the only basis for a just and lasting solution to the dispute.*”

According to those same reports, your Administration intends to propose before the **United Nations Security Council** the establishment of an *autonomous status for Western Sahara within Morocco*.

Mr. President, such a proposal stands in **clear contradiction to international law**. Western Sahara remains a **Non-Self-Governing Territory** under the **United Nations Charter**, pending the completion of its **decolonization process**. Only the people of Western Sahara themselves—not any third party or foreign state—possess the **inalienable right to determine their own political status and future**, through a free and genuine act of **self-determination**, as affirmed by international law and successive United Nations resolutions.

To establish or endorse an “autonomy” framework within Morocco would, in effect, constitute **annexation**—an act **expressly prohibited** under international law, including **Article 2(4) of the UN Charter**, which forbids the acquisition of territory by force or unilateral action.

Such an outcome would not represent a *solution* but rather a **serious violation of the international legal order** upon which global peace, justice, and stability depend.

Mr. President, as the leader of the **most powerful and influential nation in the world**, your words and actions carry immense weight. They can either reinforce or erode the foundations



of the rules-based international system that safeguards all nations.
We therefore urge you to **uphold the principles of legality, justice, and self-determination**—principles that lie at the heart of the **United Nations Charter** and the international commitment to peace.

The world looks to the United States not only for strength, but also for moral leadership. We respectfully appeal to you to ensure that your Administration's policies strengthen—not undermine—the universal values of law, justice, and human dignity.

True peace and lasting stability can never be achieved through the denial of a people's fundamental rights.
The people of Western Sahara, like all peoples, deserve the right to freely determine their own destiny.

With the highest respect,

Sidi Ahmed Lydasi
Chair, Adala UK

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sidi Ahmed Lydasi', written over a horizontal line.