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Berlin, June 16 (EFE) – The Secretary of State of Global Spain, Manuel Muñiz, said on Wednesday that Spain’s position on Western Sahara “has not and will not change”, despite the recent weeks of tension with Morocco.

In a meeting with Spanish journalists during his two-day visit to Berlin, Muñiz stressed that the Spanish position in this conflict is “known and constant”, unchanged “for decades”, in addition to be “perfectly framed in the resolutions of the Security Council” and in the “international consensus”.

“We have supported from the start what the United Nations Security Council requested, namely that a dialogue be conducted between the Sahrawi and Moroccan parties on the status of the region and that it be arbitrated by MINURSO (Mission of United Nations for the referendum in Western Sahara) ”, he said.

The Secretary of State also indicated that Spain wants a new UN Special Envoy for Western Sahara to be appointed, a vacancy since the German Horst Köhler left office in May 2019 due to health problems.

“This is our position: it has not changed and will not change,” Muñiz added.

Germany, a country which has also had disputes with Rabat in recent months on this issue, “shares Spain’s position on Western Sahara,” he stressed.

During his visit to Berlin, Mr. Muñiz had the opportunity to meet a group of Spanish professionals living in the capital and to meet representatives of German think tanks.

He also had a meeting with the Secretary of State at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Antje Leendertse, where they exchanged views on the international strategies of the two countries.

In the opinion of German think tanks, the Spanish plan is "on the right track" and "well aligned" with the Berlin priorities on issues such as the promotion of democracy, human rights and human rights. women, multilateralism and European integration, explained Mr. M FE

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