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The Chargé d’Affairs of Algeria’s mission to the United Nations, Zakia Ighil, renewed her country’s rejection of what she called “the deceptive Moroccan accusations aimed at distorting the facts in Western Sahara.”

Egil responded to the “offensive statements of Algeria” by the Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Morocco to the United Nations in New York, Omar Hilale, before the Fourth Committee of the United Nations General Assembly, “where he wanted to show Algeria as a party to a regional conflict with Morocco while the issue is a decolonization issue in Western Desert”.

Eagle stressed that her country had to address “the unilateral narrative issued by the Moroccan delegation, and stated that the issue of Western Sahara has been and continues to be on the agenda of the United Nations since 1963 as the issue of decolonization within the framework of the implementation of the Declaration on Granting Independence to Colonial Peoples and Countries.”

She stated that in accordance with Resolution 1514 and 1540, as well as the legal advisory opinion issued by the International Court of Justice of 1975, the necessity of ending the colonization of Western Sahara through the exercise of its people’s right to self-determination was emphasized.

She said that the recommendations of the 2021 regional symposium of the Committee of Twenty-four as well as the recent Security Council Resolution No. 2602 indicated the need to achieve a just, lasting and acceptable solution for both parties to the conflict (Morocco and the Polisario Front) that provides for the right of self-determination for the people of Western Sahara.

She stressed that “the empty rhetoric of the Moroccan authorities is nothing but another attempt by Morocco to cover up lies, deception, its colonial nature and its expansionist tendency, and this is clearly evident in Security Council Resolution 380, which condemns the invasion and calls on Morocco to withdraw from the territory.”

Egel explained that this particular body adopted Resolution 34/37, which urges Morocco to join the peace process and end its occupation of Western Sahara, stressing in the context that the Moroccan statement is a failed attempt to divert attention from the situation in Western Sahara through a unilateral interpretation of Security Council resolutions The United Nations and the irresponsible attacks against Algeria.

With regard to the referendum on self-determination, she stated that since the establishment of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO) in 1991 by resolution 690 to the recent resolution that renewed the mandate of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for one year, the mission of MINURSO had never been changed This means that organizing and ensuring a free and fair referendum remains a key component of the mission's mandate, and thus MINURSO is the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara.

The diplomat stressed that “Algeria’s support for the right of self-determination for peoples under colonial rule is part of its culture and heritage and is rooted in a democratic principle with universal legitimacy,” expressing regret over “Morocco’s inconsistency in its position and volatility regarding the peace process, which led to the situation we are witnessing today.” “.
