

Personal Envoy for Western Sahara Staffan de Mistura arrives in Sahrawi refugee camps

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Tindouf, 15 January 2022 (SPS) - The personal envoy of the UN Secretary General for Western Sahara, Mr. Staffan de Mistura, arrived Saturday at Tindouf Airport, where he was welcomed by the representative of the Polisario Front to the United Nations (UN) and coordinator with MINURSO, Mr. Sidi Mohamed Omar.

Accompanied by a UN delegation, Mr. Staffan de Mistura visited the Sahrawi refugee camps in Smara, the second stop of his first tour in the region since his appointment last November.

The UN personal envoy will meet for two days with Sahrawi leaders and listen to their views on the issue of resuming negotiations with Morocco as parties to the conflict, and the means of a constructive relaunch of the political process in Western Sahara, after the return to war.

Mr. Staffan de Mistura had begun, Thursday, his visit to the region from Rabat, it should be recalled.