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**Dear Christian Juhl,**

Please find Invitation to a Conference on Western Sahara in Spain: EUCOCO 39th 2014.

## **EUCOCO 39th 2014**

**November 14<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup>, | Madrid**

**The annual date of the most important European Solidarity Movement with the Saharawi People**

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**The European Conference for support and Solidarity with the Saharawi People (EUCOCO)** has been there since 1975, every year in a different European city: Paris, Barcelona, Rome, Valencia, Brussels, Modena, Vitoria-Gasteiz...

The EUCOCO is, without a doubt, **the most important annual meeting of the European Solidarity Movement with the Saharawi People**, which has little by little gained a global scale. Although the word European is still used, EUCOCO welcomes people from all over the world.

Government representatives that recognize the SADR, national and international elective representatives and members of parliaments, regional governments, town councils of Spain, political and Trade Union organizations, associations of friends of the Saharawi people, NGOs in general, jurists, personalities from the cultural world... All of them participate every year in this **mandatory MEETING on SOLIDARITY**.

So does, at the highest level, the Saharawi people, represented by the President of the SADR and Secretary-General of the Polisario Front with other authorities of the Saharawi Government, as well as Human Rights activists, Saharawi ambassadors and delegates in different countries.

After the two last editions that were held in Seville and Rome, respectively, this year Madrid will be the city that holds the 39<sup>th</sup> EUCOCO. **The Spanish capital, characterized by its hospitality and heterogeneity, will constitute a decisive meeting point for the international community efforts to advance towards the peaceful settlement of the conflict, coordinating the support to the Saharawi people in their way to FREEDOM.**

<http://www.eucomadrid.org/en/>

Regards,

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***Western Sahara ( VESTSAHARA)***

***Africa's last colony***

In 1963, the United Nations (UN) included Western Sahara in the list of countries to be decolonized and asserted the right of the Saharawi people to self-determination. In 1966 the UN, for the first time, passed a resolution calling for this self-determination to be exercised by a referendum. On 31 October 1975, Morocco and Mauritania invaded Western Sahara as Spain (the former colonial power) looked on. The Saharawi people were expelled from their homes by force, including the use of napalm. In 1991 the United Nations brokered a ceasefire and agreed to organize a referendum in which the Saharawi people could vote on the future of Western Sahara. Morocco still refuses to allow UN sponsored referendum to take place.