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In this context, the leaders of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) reiterated their principled position that the cause of the Moroccan Sahara is also the cause of the GCC countries.

They affirmed their position supporting the fact that the Sahara is Moroccan and their support for the initiative of autonomy presented by Morocco, as the basis for any solution to this artificial regional dispute.

They also expressed their rejection of any infringing on the higher interests of Morocco with regard to the serious indicators witnessed by the file in recent weeks.

The leaders also reiterated their condemnation of extremism and terrorism in all its forms and manifestations and emphasized not linking this dangerous scourge with any civilization or religion, and standing in the face of attempts to spread sectarianism that fuels strife and intends to interfere in the internal affairs of states.

They called for the coordination of regional and international efforts to counter terrorism and its eradication and the elimination of its causes, stressing the importance of the Islamic military alliance to fight terrorism in supporting these efforts.

The summit formed an appropriate occasion to discuss laying the foundations for broader cooperation between the GCC and the Kingdom of Morocco and African countries south of the Sahara, so as to promote security and stability and common interests.

In conclusion, the leaders stressed the importance of continuing consultation and coordination in order to support the pillars of the existing partnership between the GCC and the Kingdom of Morocco to meet the aspirations of their peoples and serve the interests of the Arab and Islamic nations and to achieve international peace and security.

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