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Dear Ambassador Caroline Ferrari,

We wish to follow up on the issue of peace in Western Sahara that we addressed in a letter to you December 2018.

We believe that the world community must do more to support a peaceful solution of the conflict and that until it is possible to have a referendum in Western Sahara, the UN must do everything possible to guarantee the human rights for the Saharawi people.

Presently, the UN peace mission for Western Sahara (MINURSO) does not have a mandate to monitor the human rights in Western Sahara.

Our aim with this letter is to request a clarification regarding the position of the French government for giving MINURSO a mandate to monitor human rights in Western Sahara and in the POLISARIO refugee camps in Algeria.

We believe that France as a member of the Security Council has a special responsibility as well as special opportunities for creating the preconditions that would activate the peace process.

We are looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Jørgen Estrup,

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