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Answer given by High Representative/Vice-President Kallas
on behalf of the European Commission
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The EU has consistently reiterated its long-standing support to UN-led efforts to find a solution to the Western Sahara dispute. Consistent with this approach, the EU, with the unanimity of its Member States, has updated its position regarding Western Sahara on the occasion of the EU-Morocco Association Council held on 29 January 2026¹, aligning it with UN Security Council Resolution 2797 (2025) which:

- supports the efforts of the Secretary-General and the Personal Envoy in facilitating and conducting negotiations, taking as a basis Morocco's Autonomy Proposal, with a view to achieving a just, lasting and mutually acceptable resolution to the dispute that is consistent with the UN Charter, while welcoming any constructive suggestions by the parties in response to the Autonomy Proposal.
- calls upon the parties to engage in discussions without preconditions, taking as a basis Morocco's Autonomy Proposal, with a view to achieving a final and mutually acceptable political solution that provides for the self-determination of the people of Western Sahara, while recognising that genuine autonomy could represent a most feasible outcome and encourages the parties to submit ideas to support a final mutually-acceptable solution, and
- invites all UN Member States to lend appropriate assistance and support to these negotiations and to the Personal Envoy's efforts.

In that framework, the EU stands ready to assist in facilitating the consultations between the parties within the UN framework and to support the efforts of the Secretary-General's Personal Envoy.

¹ <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/it/press/press-releases/2026/01/29/communique-conjoint-de-la-haute-representante-kaja-kallas-et-du-ministre-des-affaires-etrangees-du-maroc-nasser-bourita-suite-a-la-tenue-du-quinzieme-conseil-d-association-ue-maroc/>.