



WESTERN SAHARA

**SAHARAWI,
A PEOPLE WITH
NO NATION**

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Young Saharawi women in the Laayoune refugee camp in Algerian territory.

The wall of shame of the Moroccan government

Peoples without land, a State without a nation. And a wall, 2,700 km of sand and stones, which for 40 years has kept a territory (Western Sahara) from its people (the Saharawi). This wall of walls is like a jagged scar: four, five, six piles which run parallel to each other in the Sahara Desert, strewn with more than five million landmines and controlled by 160,000 Moroccan soldiers.

It was built in the Eighties to block the attacks by the Saharawi militants and the return of the refugees. Today, this group lives in exile for the most part, just like its government. A mess caused by the Spanish decolonization, followed by the Moroccan invasion. The 200,000 people who fled from their homes in 1976, have been living for years in overcrowded refugee camps in the Algerian desert. Without water, food or adequate medical facilities.



A modern sculpture depicting a symbolic Trojan Horse ready to catch Morocco unawares, in an area of liberated territory in Western Sahara.



A fence in the Laayoune refugee camp in Algerian territory.



View at sunset over the Smara refugee camp in Algerian territory.



The tail of a Moroccan aeroplane, shot down by the Saharawis during the 1976-1991 war, in an area of liberated territory in Western Sahara.



A boy in the Koranic school in the settlement around the February 27th school.



Assembling and disassembling a Kalashnikov in a military school frequented regularly by all the young Saharawis for firearms training as from the age of 19.



Sunset over the houses in the Dakhla refugee camp in Algerian territory.



A little girl between two Saharawi policewomen in the Smara refugee camp, in Algerian territory.



Saharawi women with the flag of the SADR (Saharawi Arab Democratic Republic), protesting in the refugee camps in Algerian territory, during the ceremonies celebrating the foundation of the Saharawi Republic.



A POLISARIO soldier praying in an outpost of the 2nd military region of the liberated territories in Western Sahara.



A military school frequented regularly by all the young Saharawis for firearms training as from the age of 19.



A Moroccan tank destroyed by the Saharawis during the 1976-1991 war, in an area of liberated territory in Western Sahara. The tank carries an inscription by the Spanish art group, Artifariti, author of many works of art in the liberated territories of Western Sahara.



A Saharawi soldier and civilian praying in an area of liberated territory in Western Sahara, not far from the village of Tifariti.



The commander of a military school frequented regularly by all the young Saharawis for firearms training as from the age of 19, surrounded by his cadets.



A Saharawi soldier near an area of the wall taken over by the POLISARIO front, in the 2nd military region of the liberated territories in Western Sahara, not far from the village of Tifariti.



Saharawi militants who live in the Moroccan occupied territories, visiting the Dakhla refugee camp in Algerian territory.



Sunset over the houses in the Smara refugee camp in Algerian territory.



A Saharawi soldier uncovers a landmine near an area of the wall taken over by the POLISARIO front, in the 2nd military region of the liberated territories in Western Sahara, not far from the village of Tifariti.



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