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Ms Federica Mogherini

High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President
of the European Commission

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Dear Federica,

I would like to draw your attention to two comprehensive reports (please find them enclosed)
prepared by Ms Isabel Lourenço, on behalf of *Fundación Sahara Occidental*, on the human rights
situation of the group of Saharawi political prisoners in Morocco, known as Gdeim Izik prisoners.

Ms Isabel Lourenço has been a dedicated member of team of international observers who have
followed the trials in Morocco of these Saharawi prisoners. They have been exposed to torture, ill
treatment and harassment and their human rights have been continuously violated. The members of
the group have not been granted to the status of political prisoners either.

Morocco is, therefore, not respecting its international commitments, such as the 4th Geneva
Convention and the Optional Protocol against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading
Treatment and Punishment.

I believe it is my duty to report these outrageous cases of violation of human rights and ask you to
press the Moroccan authorities to liberate these prisoners and behave according to their obligations.

Best regards
Ana Gomes

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