

# L'UE e il popolo saharawi

## *Estratti*

### **EURO-Mediterranean Agreement**

“...CONSIDERING the importance which the Parties attach to the principles of the United Nations Charter, particularly the observance of human rights and political and economic freedom, which form the very basis of the association;”

“...Respect for the democratic principles and fundamental human rights established by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights shall inspire the domestic and external policies of the Community and of Morocco and shall constitute an essential element of this Agreement.”

[Ha deciso di] “establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Kingdom of Morocco, of the other part”.

### **De Melo (ELDR)**

#### **Dibattito sull'approvazione dell'accordo d'associazione con il Marocco.**

5 giugno 1996

To try to establish any kind of agreement between the European Union and a third country and to require the ideal – I repeat the ideal – of democracy and human rights draws us inevitably into the Kingdom of Utopia – that is, into an illusion.

But if the country has taken concrete, objective steps in the direction we require for political, economic, social democracy, it would be politically criminal to impede the progress which has been made and to reverse the positive trend.

### **Gahrton (V)**

#### **Dibattito sull'approvazione dell'accordo d'associazione con il Marocco.**

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I often think that we find ourselves having to choose between commercial interests and democratic value. It is indeed tragic that the European Parliament, when push comes to shove, so often chooses commercial interests in preference to democratic values.

**Carnero Gonzales (GUE/NGL)**

**Dibattito sull'approvazione dell'accordo d'associazione con il Marocco.**

5 giugno 1996

“[...] How sad it is to hear in this House that the progress has been made because a few political prisoners have been realised! How sad to hear in this House that there is less infringement of human rights! How sad to hear in this House that although democracy has not been established by a particular government and human rights are not fully respected, nevertheless relations with that government must be privileged! [...]How sad to hear in this House, once more, that political realism leads us to vote in favour of an agreement which will not serve either peace or stability in the region or even the development of democracy or human rights in Morocco”

**Prima Sessione del Consiglio d'Associazione fra l'Unione Europea e il Marocco**

Lussemburgo, 9 ottobre 2000

L'associazione tra il Marocco e l'UE è fondata sul rispetto comune della democrazia, dei diritti dell'uomo e dello Stato di Diritto. In questo, contesto l'Unione Europea si compiace che la protezione dei diritti dell'uomo e l'estensione delle libertà pubbliche figurino tra gli orientamenti di fondo delle autorità marocchine.