

Journalist from Western Sahara tells his story

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Unions NSW Ground Floor Training Rm
377-383 Sussex St Sydney**



Union Aid Abroad -APHEDA Australia Western Sahara Association

Public Seminar: *Getting the story out about Western Sahara*

- Malainin Lakhali, Secretary General of the Union of Saharawi Journalists and Writers, and human rights activist, introduced by
- Alison Peters, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Unions NSW

Africa's last colony: for 30 years the people of Western Sahara have been striving for self-determination. Morocco has blocked the decolonisation process, obstructing the UN referendum. Hear about:

- the situation of the Saharawi people in the refugee camps in Algeria and in occupied Western Sahara
- the exploitation by Morocco of Western Sahara's natural resources, including phosphate imported by Australian fertilizer manufacturers
- difficulties faced by journalists getting the story out to the rest of the world
- what Australia can do to support United Nations processes and the wrongful exploitation of Western Sahara's phosphate and other natural resources
- what Australian unions can do to support Western Saharawi unionists in international labour forums

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