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RESOLUTION 1263 (1999)

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The Security Council,

Recalling all its previous resolutions on the Western Sahara,

<u>Welcoming</u> the report of the Secretary-General of 8 September 1999 (S/1999/954) and the observations and recommendations contained therein,

<u>Welcoming also</u> the resumption of the identification of voters and the commencement of the appeals process,

- 1. <u>Decides</u> to extend the mandate of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in the Western Sahara (MINURSO) until 14 December 1999 in order to complete the identification of voters as envisaged in paragraph 21 of the report of the Secretary-General, to implement confidence-building measures and conclude all outstanding agreements needed to implement the Settlement Plan, and to continue with the appeals process, and <u>reaffirms</u> the rights of the applicants, with an expectation that the appeals process will not be turned into a second round of identification;
- 2. Requests the Secretary-General to report every 45 days on significant developments in the implementation of the Settlement Plan;
- 3. Requests also the Secretary-General to submit to the Security Council before the end of the current mandate a comprehensive assessment of steps taken towards the completion of the appeals process, and of staffing requirements as outlined in the report, as well as preparations for the repatriation of refugees and the start of the transitional period;
 - 4. <u>Decides</u> to remain seized with the matter.
