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The Security Council,

Recalling all its previous resolutions on the Western Sahara, in particular resolution 1108 of 22 May 1997,

Recalling the relevant principles contained in the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel adopted on 9 December 1994,

Welcoming and encouraging efforts by the United Nations to sensitize peacekeeping personnel in the prevention and control of HIV/AIDS and other communicable diseases in all its peacekeeping operations,

Welcoming the report of the Secretary-General of 17 February 2000 (S/2000/131) and the observations and recommendations contained therein,

Reiterating full support for the continued efforts exerted by the Secretary-General, his Personal Envoy, his Special Representative and the United Nations Mission for a Referendum in the Western Sahara (MINURSO) to implement the Settlement Plan and agreements adopted by the parties, to hold a free, fair and impartial referendum for the self-determination of the people of the Western Sahara,

Noting the concern expressed in the report about the possibility of achieving a smooth and consensual implementation of the Settlement Plan and agreements adopted by the parties, despite the support given by the international community, and urging the parties to cooperate so as to achieve a lasting solution,

1. Decides to extend the mandate of MINURSO until 31 May 2000;
2. Supports the intention of the Secretary-General, as stated inter alia in his report, to ask his Personal Envoy to consult the parties and, taking into account existing and potential obstacles, to explore ways and means to achieve an early, durable and agreed resolution of their dispute;
3. Requests the Secretary-General to provide an assessment of the situation before the end of the present mandate;
4. Decides to remain seized of the matter.
