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Subject: Celebration of World Diabetes Day in Laayoune, 8-9 November 2019. Report of the celebration.

Dear Colleagues,

Under the aegis of Ministry of Health, Ministry of National Education, Vocational Training, Higher Education and Scientific Research, National Council of the National Order of Doctors, **the Moroccan League for the Fight against Diabetes celebrated the World Diabetes Day in Laayoune on 8th and 9th November 2019.**

This event was organized in collaboration with the Wilaya of Laâyoune- Sakia El Hamra, the Regional Directorate of Health, the WHO, the Moroccan Society of Endocrinology Diabetology and Nutrition, the Moroccan Society of Nutrition, Health and Environment and the Regional Designated Center of Nutrition AFRA/IAEA (Ibn Tofail University - CNESTEN).

This celebration was marked by the following important facts:

1- Laayoune was the chosen city for this celebration. The latter is developing harmoniously and integrating economically, medically, culturally and socially; and coinciding with the celebration of the 44th anniversary of the glorious Green March;

2- Our great satisfaction for this celebration coincides the official inauguration of the project of the Faculty of Medicine and Pharmacy of Laayoune on November 6, 2019.

3- The support of many actors of the civil, medical and scientific society, including the Wilaya of Laâyoune Sakia - El Hamra, the Ministry of Health, the Regional Directorate of Health, WHO, the Moroccan Society of Endocrinology Diabetology and Nutrition, the Moroccan Society of Nutrition, Health and Environment and the Regional Designated Center of Nutrition AFRA / IAEA (University Ibn Tofail - CNESTEN);

4- The participation of the Honorary President of the French Academy of Medicine who gave a news conference at the official ceremony on "**Diabetes and endocrine disruptors**";

5- A rich scientific program highlighted by the recent news regarding Dialectology and Nutrition, and also focuses on the theme of the World Diabetes Day: "**The Family and Diabetes**" and bringing together national experts concerned by the problematic of Diabetes and Nutrition, with the partnership and multisectoral approach;

6- The live webcast of the conferences from the League website: www.lmlcd.com, followed by more than 1500 people from Morocco, the Maghreb and Africa;

7- An ongoing training program for the benefit of the physicians and nurses of Laayoune and its Region on Diabetes and its complications, which took place at the Higher Institute of Health Professions and Techniques of Laayoune on Friday, November 8, 2019;

8- A medico-social program with activities of education, sensitization and screening of Diabetes was performed for the benefit of diabetics and the general population of Laayoune and its Region which took place at the Higher Institute of Nursing and Technical Professions of Laâyoune Health on Friday, November 8, 2019. This program was coordinated with the Ministry of Health, the Regional Directorate and the Provincial Delegation of Laayoune;

9- To be in tune with the global action of blue illumination of official buildings, according to the recommendations of the International Diabetes Federation, the "**Palais des Congrès**" of Laâyoune was illuminated by the blue light during the night during this celebration ;

10- The adoption by the participants of the appeal of Laayoune 2019 (see attachment) underlining the need to continue efforts in this ongoing fight against Diabetes, Obesity and Diseases of Nutrition, especially at the level of city of Laayoune. This call is also available on the League website at the link:

<http://www.lmlcd.com/index.php/appeal-of-wdd/appeal-de-laayoune-menu>

Moreover, we were amazed by the great achievements in the city of Laayoune, which is experiencing a spectacular development and is a real one of a Morocco that is advancing at a high speed towards an integrated and global economic and social development.

Please accept, the expression of my distinguished feelings.

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