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## **Morocco: Amnesty International delegation meets His Majesty King Mohamed VI**

*Amnesty International's delegation, led by the Chair of the movement, Colm [Cuanach<in, and including the Director of the Middle East/North Africa Program, June Ray, and Mohamed Sektaoui, the Secretary General of Amnesty International's Moroccan Section, were privileged yesterday to be granted an audience with His Majesty King Mohamed VI.*

*During the meeting His Majesty reaffirmed his commitment to respect for human rights in Morocco and called for closer cooperation with the organization. His Majesty paid tribute to the contribution of Amnesty International members in Morocco in promoting a culture of human rights and welcomed the cooperation between Amnesty International's Moroccan Section and the Ministries of Human Rights and Education.*

*Among other topics discussed were racism, Amnesty International's work on Israel and the Occupied Territories - and Amnesty International's 40th anniversary.*

*His Majesty's engagement to protect human rights gives a vital and encouraging message to the human rights movement in Morocco and throughout the region,@ said Colm [Cuanach<in. AWe believe that this meeting marks a new phase of cooperation which we hope will fully address the pending cases and promote respect for the rule of law.@*

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