In partnership with the Australia Western Sahara Association (AWSA)

Whatever happened to the Spanish Sahara?
An evening of films and discussion about Western Sahara

Tuesday 7th October, 7.30pm
Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI)
Federation Square, Flinders Street, Melbourne

Lalia  Dir. Sylvia Munt, Spain 1999, 12 min (Spanish & Arabic with English subtitles)
“If you close your eyes you can see anything”. This award winning short film is told through the voice of a Saharawi girl named Lalia who has never seen her homeland. She imagines what it will be like when she can return and discover it for herself.

Cubarawi Women  Dir. Antonio Marquez, Spain 2006, 58 min (Spanish & Arabic with English subtitles)  Every year Saharawi students living in refugee camps in southwest Algeria go to Cuba to study from secondary to university level. It is a formative experience for them living in a very different environment both physically and culturally. The film follows women training in Cuba and talks to others who have returned to the camps.

A Q&A with members of AWSA will follow the screenings.

Admission 18+
Tickets: $13, $10 (concession) on sale at ACMI Box office: 8663 2583 or online at www.acmi.net.au/tickets

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