In partnership with the Australia Western Sahara Association (AWSA)______

Mariem Hassan: the Voice of the Sahara

An evening of films and discussion about Western Sahara
(Formerly Spanish Sahara - Sáhara Español)

Tuesday 30 March 2010, 7.30 pm @ Australian Centre for the Moving Image (ACMI)
Federation Square, Flinders Street, Melbourne

Mariem Hassan: the Voice of the Sahara
Mariem Hassan is the voice of the Sahara Desert. Adored by Saharawis living in exile, she is an
iconic figure for those still living in the territories occupied by Morocco. Mariem is revealed as a
courageous and enduring character who has become one of the most charismatic and respected
singers of the world music scene. Mariem performed at Womadelaide 2010.

Children of the Clouds - Dir. Carlos González, USA/Spain, 2008, 16 mins,
(Spanish & Hassaniya Arabic with English subtitles). A short documentary about
Morocco’s campaign of repression against Saharawi students.

Q & A - Discussion afterwards with Kamal Fadel from the Frente POLISARIO
(Representative of Western Sahara to Australia) chaired by Lyn Allison President
of AWSA will follow the screenings.

Admission 18+ Tickets: $14, $11 (concession) on sale at ACMI box office: (03) 8663 2583 or online
at www.acmi.net.au/tickets

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