

Letter to the President of Mauritania

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To His Excellency Mohamed Ould Ghazouani

President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania

Presidential Palace, Nouakchott

Your Excellency,

I am writing to you not as a distant observer, but as a citizen who walks the sun-scorched streets of Nouakchott, feeling the pulse of our nation in June 2026. Our country is a land of profound contrasts, where the ancient silence of the Sahara meets the urgent, noisy aspirations of the 21st century.

Life here is a mosaic of survival and hope. In our schools and institutes, young Mauritians are eager to learn, but they often find themselves clutching outdated textbooks in classrooms that lack the digital tools to compete in a globalized world. When we visit the local markets, we see the struggle firsthand—the rising cost of imported food hits the poor hardest, while our vibrant traditional trade is squeezed by inflation. In Nouakchott, you will see a mix of rugged Toyota Land Cruisers, built to

conquer the desert dunes, alongside aging sedans that struggle on our crumbling city roads. For entertainment, we look to our rich heritage; while we lack the cinematic infrastructure of larger nations, our culture lives in our music and the lively gatherings in our homes and small tea shops. Theater remains a niche, waiting for the support it needs to truly flourish as a mirror to our social realities.

The people are tired of the disparity between our immense mineral and fishing wealth and the reality of their daily lives. They worry about the lack of jobs for graduates and the slow pace of infrastructure development. We need a government that doesn't just manage the state, but nurtures the people. We need investment in modern vocational training, affordable housing, and transparent development projects that reach beyond the capital.

We place our hope in you, Mr. President, to lead a renewal that respects our Islamic identity while embracing modern progress. Please, look past the official reports and see the struggle for dignity in the eyes of every citizen.

With the hope of a patriot,

A Concerned Citizen of Mauritania

Sovereign Performance Audit: Mauritania (June 2026)

Sector

Score

Summary

Political Stability

3.0

Stable under Ghazouani, though regional tensions persist.

Economic Development

2.0

Heavy reliance on mining; high youth unemployment.

Social Infrastructure

1.5

Education and health systems lag behind modern needs.

Public Trust

2.0

Widespread concern over the cost of living and inequality.

Final Verdict: 2.12 / The Sahara's Potential.

President Ghazouani has maintained stability, but the country is at a standstill in terms of human development. The focus must shift from resource extraction to investing in the people—the youth, their education, and their ability to earn a living in a changing climate.

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