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HM The King: 50th Anniversary Of Moroccan Parliament, A "Historic Moment" In Morocco's Political Evolution Process

HM King Mohammed VI said on Monday that the 50th anniversary of the Moroccan parliament is a "historic moment" in the political evolution process of Morocco, which, thanks to this institution, has succeeded in consolidating the foundations of a representative democracy.

In a message addressed to members of the House of Representatives and of the Chamber of Advisors, the Sovereign said the establishment of the parliament, 50 years ago, had "embodied the shared will of the king and the people", just like other major events and causes that punctuated Morocco's history since independence.

The Royal message, read out by speaker of the House of Representatives, Karim Ghellab, further said that the anniversary "is a historic moment in the process reflecting the political evolution of the State and the Moroccan people, at large and the Moroccan political elite, particularly".

The Sovereign further underlines that the Parliament has accomplished, during half a century of existence, its mission of law-making and control, while emerging as a space for the training of national political elites and a framework of debates, exchange and diverging viewpoints, both with the Government or between the majority and the opposition.

HM the King also recalled that the 2011 constitution has granted the Moroccan parliament a privileged status among the national institutions as a full-fledged legislative power, increasingly open to women's participation in political life and in public affairs management , in keeping with the Sovereign's will to increase women contributions in all walks of life, particularly in the political field.