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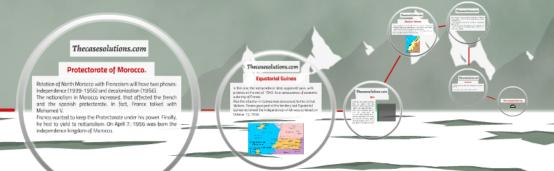
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#### **Equatorial Guinea**

In this area the independence ideas appeared soon, with protests at the end of 1940. As a consecuence of economic autarchy of Franco.

Also the situation in Guinea was denounced to the United Nations. Franco gave part of the territory but Equatorial Guinea reclaimed the independence which was achieved on October 12, 1968.



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### Ifni

In Ifni, the idea of the new king was to create "the big Morocco" which affected this region under spanish power.

Mohamed V reclamed the Ifni and he denounced the administrative situation of Ifni to the United Nations in 1969. The situation of Franco signed the independence of Ifni which was given to Morocco in 1969.



#### **Western Sahara**

Franco only had Western Sahara under his power. In this territory started the idea of the independence in the Polisario Front. Hassán II did the "Green March" to occupy the spanish Sahara.

Because of the pressure, Spain gave the Western Sahara which was distribute between Mauritania and Morocco.



But the Saharan didn't accept this agreement. In 1976 the Polisario Front proclaimed the Saharawi Arab Democratic Republic (SADR).

In 1979 Mauritania renouced to his territories in Sahara but Morocco didn't.

This situation caused the appearance of a battle front in Rabat. The fight for the independence and the selfdetermining continues.

#### **Questions**

- 1) When was achieved the total independence of Equatorial Guinea?
- 2) What did the Polisario Front proclaim in 1976?