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Despite the fact that SPHER International (previously Decency limited) is new in the field it has undergone many initiatives that didn't come true as we hoped. Yet, these initiatives and activities still active and done as follows:


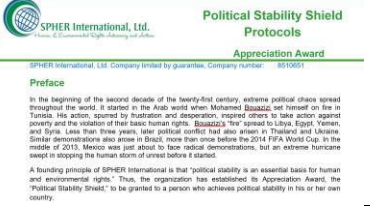
1	<p>May 2013, the organization made a visit to the USA Embassy in Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates to launch an initiative for a peace solution to Syria's crisis, which has being created due to the issues taking place in Syria now. Similarly, there was a contact with the Russian Embassy, but it apologized for receiving us as the organization didn't have a branch in the U.A.E, Then (There is a detailed report regarding this meeting).</p>	
2	<p>June 2013, a call for ceasefire in Syria was written during the Holy Month of Ramadan, but this call faced obstacle's to deliver due to electronic conditions. Instead, social websites carried this task.</p>	
3	<p>July 2013, a suggestion has been made to work on collecting donations for the sake of buying the Eid's clothes in favor of Syria's kids. However, following meeting the advisory Cobra Group in London, it was made clear that this process could run along- term issue (not less than two months). This contact with the Advisory Cobra Group was on 04-07-2016 (There is a specified report on this meeting).</p>	
4	<p>July – August 2013, meeting with a number of journalists was made in London like Dr. Jihan El Khazin, Dr. Haytham and a call was made with Dr. Gurjous as well. All of this was for asking help to adopt the strategy of the organization.</p>	
5	<p>24 August 2013, a communication was made with Christopher Davidson for exchanging information and experience in the field of Human Rights. (Attached meeting Report.)</p>	
6	<p>09- 11 October 2013, visiting the Syrian Refugees Camps in Lebanon, (Ersal and El- Biggaa) in order to collect donations for preparing camps in winter. This project, however, didn't go as we had wished as the required donations weren't sufficient. (There is a detailed report)</p>	

7	<p>15 – 18 October 2013, the organization participated in the annual International Fund Raising IFC Conference in Amsterdam. (There is a detailed report on the conference)</p>	
8	<p>15 November 2013, there was a meeting with Bashar El- Jafaaray; the U.N. representative of the Syrian Regime for exploring the issue of using chemical weapons and reviewing the allegations he talked about in his press conference during August and September. (There is a detailed report at request).</p>	
9	<p>18 November 2013, there was a meeting with some professor's working at the Desert Study Center in Reno in the U.S.A. The objective was relating to attract contributors to this organization. As a result there was argument of changing the organizations line to care about both man and environment. As well there was an idea of setting a plan about the political influence on the water resources.</p>	
10	<p>As long the objective of this organization is peace being one of human rights and environment, Dr. Asma AlKetbi has demonstrated in her writings a series of articles concerning the "Arabic Spring Revolutions" in particular and "Revolutions" in general as well regarding their causes and results together with the negative aspect of both war and chaos on man and environment.</p>	
11	<p>From August 2013 we tried to organize a conference on the significant of peace/political stability on human and environment rights. However, we could not gather interest on the conference topic.</p>	



2014



1	<p>January – December 2014: The founder and the Director of this organization, Dr. Asma AlKetbi has been writing articles about peace as part of human and environment rights movement since 2013. These articles have revealed the causes and results of the Arabic Spring Revolutions in particular and the revolutions in history as well.</p>	
2	<p>23 February 2014: The organization invited Mr. Rabeaa Wahba, from Housing and Land Rights Network Program in the Habitat International Coalition- Middle East Cairo to visit the organization branch in the United Arab Emirates. This invitation comes to set a mutual – cooperation plan between the SPHER International and the Habitat International Coalition – Middle East regarding social and economic rights in the Arab world. Promising results were detected.</p>	



3	<p>8th March 2014: On the International Women’s Day, the SPHER International called (in Arabic) on the Syrian women of all ethics, and religions to stand in the face of the bloody flood created by the civil war in Syria.</p>	 <p>نداء منظمة نيسنس لحقوق الإنسان وبنية المرأة السورية الأصل، من الأموات السوريين العوائل، والوفيات الحيات، والأخوات وأبنات، بكل الأعمار المتعارفة ومختلف المذاهب والأديان العربية، والآراء السياسية الثوري، ووجه العالم الذي عرف سوريا، ناشتات من أجل عدم إمكانية والوثقى ولكن لا تكن أي إنسانة التي تفرق البسمة في وجه الأهل، السوريين من أياكن</p>
4	<p>20- 28 March 2014: A communication with some Syrian activities/oppositions taken place Sweden for discussing the peace initiative related to Syria. This initiative had slogan: <i>Give academia and science a chance to achieve peace.</i></p>	
5	<p>April – December: we worked to get support in favor of the peace initiative in Syria. However, all opposition parties, Syrian regime, and Syrian friends were not very help.</p>	 <p>SPHER International, Company limited by guarantee, Company number: 801001</p> <p>SPHER International, Ltd. presents these guidelines and vital ideas for a peace initiative in Syria. At the moment, with a urgency to prepare the initiative, available support for it, and develop objective factors for establishing and monitoring its success.</p> <p>SPHER International is an international organization registered in the United Kingdom, with its Headquarters in London. The organization is concerned about global human and environmental rights. It is independent from any government or political party. Since it was initiated in 2013, it has primarily focused its activity on the Syrian humanitarian crisis. SPHER International has reached out to several governments in an attempt to help achieve peace. Achieving peace and safety for Syrian civilians, regardless of ethnicity, is one of SPHER's main concerns.</p> <p>The initiative is inspired by the peace processes led by Nelson Mandela in South Africa. It promotes: SPHER International stresses Mandela's core values of forgiveness, tolerance, and reconciliation between the different components of the Syrian population.</p>
6	<p>Addressing Mr. Bashar El- Jafari, the Syrian representative to the U.N. for reviewing the peace initiative for Syria. No response has been received by him.</p>	
7	<p>12 June 2014: Meeting Mr. Mohammed El- Makhous, the Syrian opposition ambassador to Paris, in order to probe the reaction of the opposition’s view towards the peace initiative in Syria. (There is a copy available at request). However, Mr. El- Makhous wasn’t very optimistic.</p>	
8	<p>20- 26 June 2014: Visiting 12 Orphan – houses in India and distributing Ramadan’s supplies. Children felt happy and welcomed the organizations members. In addition, the organization is trying to buy beds and covers for those children with supplying a health care for them through paying the remedy costs for about 100 children suffering of dermatitis.</p>	
9	<p>August 2014: A report (in Arabic) has been prepared on the environmental and human violations at the time of the Israeli aggression on the Gaza only documentary made by one member living in Gaza.</p>	 <p>SPHER International, Company limited by guarantee, Company number: 801001</p> <p>مقدمة</p> <p>تعهد الانتهاكات الإسرائيلية المتواصلة على الإنسان وبنية في قطاع غزة حرقاً وهدماً جميع المنشآت والبنى التحتية التي تضرر المصابين بالمشاكل الإنسانية للعديد، لكن قوات الجيش الإسرائيلي أبوكت الحقوق الإنسانية والبيئية الهواة عبر مسروق في صيف 2014، متجاوزة جميع المعاهدات والمعاهدات الدولية المتعلقة بحقوق المواطنين المدنيين في وقت الحرب، وعلى رأسها المادة 55 من اتفاقية جنيف الرابعة لعام1949، بالإضافة للمادة (54) من البروتوكول الإضافي الأول الملحق باتفاقيات جنيف لعام1977.</p> <p>تفقد أسودف العدوان على قطاع غزة السكان المدنيين والمنزل والممتلكات المدنية والبيئية والطبية كالمدراس والمستشفيات والمرکز الصحية والمستشفيات، وحصنات بوند الملقاة والمياه والطرق وغيرها مما أدى إلى تشريد السكان في منازلهم، وهجوم الجيش في أوقاتاً غير إنسانية مراكز الأهل، كالمدراس التي عجزت إلى أي تعليم للطفلة الصحية والبيئية</p>
10	<p>October 2014, visiting the Syrian Refugees Camps in Turkey, (Tall Abiad). the visit was just for the school, we could not make it to visit the camp, as the processes to have permission was so difficult.</p>	

<p>11</p>	<p>25 – 26 November 2014: A report (in Arabic) concerning the environmental and human rights in Al- Ahwaz: Protecting environment against violence was presented in Forum on Minority Issues, Geneva, Switzerland, 25- 26 November 2014.</p>	
<p>12</p>	<p>We created a Peace Middle - Appreciation Award, for a president/leader who create peace in his/her conflict country, however we did not give it to any one yet.</p>	

2015




<p>1</p>	<p>January 12, 2015- A meeting with representatives of the Educational Union of Uyghur in Stockholm, Sweden. Cooperation fields between two parties was discussed as educating and learning is one of the SPHER’s aims.</p>	
<p>2</p>	<p>2 February – 2015: A Meeting was held with the Baroness Mary Goudie in the House of Lords in London. An agreement of mutual cooperation between her and SPHER was reached, being one of the women’s rights exponents in the world. Women rights are one of the fundamental rights SPHER care about.</p>	
<p>3</p>	<p>8 March, 2015 – On the International Women’s Day, the SPHER International renewed its call to the Syrian woman to support peace in Syrian. As SPHER believes on power of women of positive changes.</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>20 June, 2015- On the International Refugee’s Day, The SPHER International called on the nations to stop exploiting war refugees. (A copy is available at request).</p>	
<p>5</p>	<p>24 July, 2015 – Meeting with the Resource Alliance representatives in their Headquarter in London for discussing cooperation fields. In this connection, alliance made some suggestions for collecting donations for the sake of the SPHER International. The meeting included Gillian Best Powell, Stephen Campbell and Steven Inman.</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p>4 August, 2015 – A contact has been made with a number of Arab female refugees in Sheffield. Debate included setting up a project sponsoring those female refugees and giving them better chances. As a result, the NAB project has been eliminated for reinforcing small projects for both women and female refugees. (There is a copy available at request). Nano and Micro business.</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>September 2015 – Preparing a study for psychological and educational programs for the children in the armed conflict areas. (There is a copy available at request).</p>	

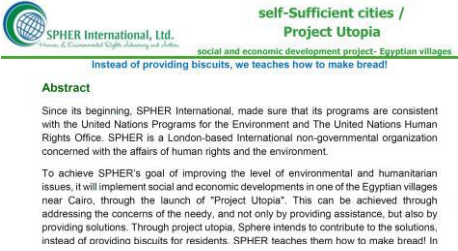


8	October 3 - 4 in Stockholm , SPHER International attended a 2 days workshop in marketing by JT Foxx. This is in attempt to market and fund rise for the organization.	
9	19 October, 2015- Stockholm, an activity has been organized in cooperation with the Ahwazian Society for Human Rights entitled “An eye on Syrian immigrant tragedy”. A movie “Boarding” for the Syrian director named Ghadfan has been shown in addition to a seminar on the Syrian Crisis and Syrian Refugees.	

10	25-26 October, 2015- Participating in the international conference: Information and culture of Humanitarian Dialogue, Geneva 24- 25 October 2015, and presenting paper: Human Rights and information to promote the humanitarian dialogue.	
11	8–10 December, 2015- Attending as an observer in the 32rd International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, Geneva, Switzerland power of Humanity: The Fundamental Principles in Action.	


2016

1	April , The Organization had a meeting with the Sudanese Ambassador Ahmad Jaradah in the Sudanese Embassy in Al-Mushrif, Abu Dhabi to discuss the possibility of allowing the Organization to play an impartial role in questionnaires or polls that are carried out by the Sudanese Government in Sudan. Following the meeting, the Ambassador wrote to the Sudanese Embassy in London, to follow up with The Organization's headquarter in London. We would like to mention that the Organization conducts such activities (visits to some countries embassies) in the UAE for convenience purposes as well as for the fact that workload in Abu Dhabi is much less than that of London. Or simply because AlKetbi (the CEO) being from the UAE has more leverage in her homeland than abroad.	
Egypt\Cairo trip		
2	3rd May 2016 , SPHER International met with representatives of the National Council of Human Rights including the General Secretary / Ambassador Moklas Kotob and two researchers from the projects and conferences department: Mr. Islam Rihan and Mr. Jamal Barkat. The purpose of this	




	<p>meeting was to explain SPHER’s vision, mission and activities and future collaboration. The outcome of the meeting was to contact the Arab Organization for Human rights & the Arab League. In addition, they have provided us with information regarding their previous work and activities in the field of human rights, and put emphasis on future collaboration with SPHER.</p>	
<p>3</p>	<p>3rd May 2016, on the same day, SPHER International met with Dr. Ahmed Elghareb, an Assistant Professor in Environmental and Bio agriculture department. Dr. Ahmad presented his proposal on “Bio – Energy Crops” project. The purpose of this meeting was to see how committed Dr. Ahmed to his project and to determine if he is illegible for any funds for his work. SPHER asked Dr. Ahmed to prepare a business plan of his project showing a timeline, as well as the total cost of the project.</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>4th May 2016, SPHER International conducted Workshope on “ DNA of Happiness” by Dr. Asma AlKetbi, and Dr. Ayman Amir, a professor in Psychology and the director of a research center at the Supreme Council of Culture. More than fifty (50) participants attended the lecture from different educational backgrounds. Mr. Shaker Abed Al-Hameed the former minister of culture and the head of the Psychology Committee of the Supreme Council Of Culture, and the Head administrator of the Supreme Council. Mr. Ashraf Amir participated in the discussion too. The lecture was a success in terms of the impact the topic had on attendees providing insightful feedbacks and different perspectives on both environmental and Humanitarian issues . In addition, participants were handed a package about SPHER and a couple of Human Rights activists were eager to contact the organization.</p>	 
<p>5</p>	<p>5th May 2016, On the last day of the official trip of SPHER International to Egypt, the organization honoured Mrs. Sisa for her courageous and outstanding sacrifice; she had been dressed as a man for forty three (43) years. She did that to be able to do men’s work for the sake of her only daughter; who became an orphan before birth due to the death of her father.</p> <p>SPHER International gave her ten thousand (10,000) Egyptian Pounds, SPHER wanted to give more, however the lack of funds dictated that.</p> <p>SPHER International has donated two thousand (2,000) Egyptian Pounds for Sisa grandson who is diagnosed with Down syndrome. The money will cover his medical treatment for the next two (2) years, according to his mother.</p>	 
<p>6</p>	<p>11 June, SPHER International attended a “Mega Speaker- in Stockholm” by JT Fox, to broaden our knowledge in public speaking.</p>	

7	<p>11 July 2016, Mr. Mussab Esmalee –the second secretary in Sudan’s Embassy in London visited the organization headquarter in London. This was a result of our meeting with Mr. Ahmad Jaradah in April in Abu Dhabi. In the meeting we discussed SPHER vision, mission and activities.</p>	
8	<p>July-September, SPHER International attempted the implementation of the “Utopia” project in Egypt. However, because of bureaucracy and /or because of SPHER’s Human Rights dimension (a sensitive issue in Egypt), the project didn’t take off. The project aims to provide economic and social solutions for the poor, and to enable them to earn a living. This will be feasible through economical projects that aim to provide decent jobs and guarantee an acceptable standard of living and a sustainable environment.</p>	 <p>self-Sufficient cities / Project Utopia social and economic development project- Egyptian villages Instead of providing biscuits, we teaches how to make bread!</p> <p>Abstract Since its beginning, SPHER International, made sure that its programs are consistent with the United Nations Programs for the Environment and The United Nations Human Rights Office. SPHER is a London-based International non-governmental organization concerned with the affairs of human rights and the environment. To achieve SPHER’s goal of improving the level of environmental and humanitarian issues, it will implement social and economic developments in one of the Egyptian villages near Cairo, through the launch of “Project Utopia”. This can be achieved through addressing the concerns of the needy, and not only by providing assistance, but also by providing solutions. Through project utopia, Sphere intends to contribute to the solutions, instead of providing biscuits for residents. SPHER teaches them how to make bread! In</p>
9	<p>October, SPHER International sent a one thousand five hundred (1500) Egyptian Pounds grant to Dr. Ahmad AlGareeb to start his bio fuel project.</p>	
10	<p>October 2016, SPHER International donated seven hundred and fifty (3000) Dirhams to Mr. Ahmad Sadekk to get his UAE driving license. This will help him to find a better job which will enhance his income. Ahmad Sadekk is an Egyptian who has worked as a waiter in one of Dubai’s 5 stars hotels. He has a bachelor’s degree in Social Services from Cairo University.</p>	
11	<p>21-24 November 2016, This is our second visit to an orphanage in Delhi, India; we donated one hundred and forty (140) beds to the orphanage. In our first visit we realized the need for beds. SPHER International future plan is to build sleeping quarters for these kids.</p>	

2017


1	<p>30th January, Ahmed Taher Sedikka got his driving license; this was the first achievement for the SPHER International in 2017. Now, we are evaluating how Ahmad’s life will change by landing a better job opportunity.</p>	
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<p>2</p>	<p>12th February, SPHERE International arranged a meeting with a number of Saudi businessmen. They welcomed the idea as long as it bides with the Saudi Arabia Charitable guidelines. The Board of directors of the Children's Cancer Hospital, SANED, includes the chairman Dr. Abdullah Ba Othman shed light on their investments and activities in the Children's Cancer Hospital.</p>	
<p>3</p>	<p>17th February, One of SPHER International prominent goals is political stability as basis for the protection of human rights and the environment. SPHER took advantage of the presence of Mrs. Um Hassan (Lattifa Yusuf Albureshaid) in Abu Dhabi, to honor her for her role during the teachers strike in Bahrain during the Arab spring. Dr. AlKetbi presented Mrs. Um Hassan with a trophy on behalf of the organization.</p>	
<p>Trip to Egypt 1-31 March 2017</p>		
<p>4</p>	<p>4th March 2017, To kick off the Organization's Utopia project, we visited Egypt and spent a whole month. SPHER International first met with Dr. Ahmad AlGareeb to follow up with him on "production of biofuels from some energy crops (Castor)" project. Ahmad provided SPHER with a detailed report on the progress of his project. He began the project by leasing a piece of land and cultivated it. By the time we got there, it was harvest time.</p>	
<p>5</p>	<p>8th March 2017, During our visit to Cairo we got in touch with a number of civic organizations; such as "Terous". Terous works on developmental projects in the poorest villages in Egypt. So, Toruos arranged a trip to Suhaj for SPHER International to have a firsthand look at some governmental projects that came to halt due to financial issues.</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p>15-16 March 2017, SPHER International took a trip to Suhag; this is in coordination with the Toruos Society. During the trip we visited three (3) brook businesses (carpentry and two textile factories) which are funded by the Egyptian government; which made it difficult to us to convince the Financiers to donate funds for such project. So our "Utopia" project is frozen at this stage.</p>	

7	<p>21st March, Dr. Ahmad Al-Gareeb arranged for SPHER to visit Al-Azhar University. We met with the dean of the Environmental and cultural faculty. We plan to work with students from Al-Azhar University on projects similar to the bio-fuel project.</p>	
8	<p>July-September, SPHER International believes that political stability is the base for human and environmental rights. Accordingly, we wrote to the GCC embassies in London in light of the Qatari – Gulf crisis in 2017. Furthermore Dr. Al-Katbi wrote in depth article about the GCC crises which was published in one of UAE local newspapers.</p>	
9	<p>15th September, SPHER International took advantage of the Global day of Democracy and wrote about democracy in one of UAE local newspapers.</p>	
10	<p>6-11th November, SPHER International visited the orphanage in Delhi, India for the third time. SPHER International is still contemplating ways to build sleeping quarters; hopefully that will come to fruition in the near future.</p>	


2018









Five years have passed since the establishment of SPHER International (previously Decency Limited). Despite its limited resources, it has excelled in the field of war prevention. This work that it has taken on its shoulders since its inception. However, it has crystallized more since 2017, when the GCC crisis began. SPHER activities varied from reports, letters, articles and even videos in which the organization poured its expertise, to establish the conclusions of what will be the situation in 2020-2021, as follows:

1	<p>January 30, 2018, on this day, the organization obtained the United Nations' consultative status.</p>	
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2	<p>April 2018, recorded episodes of the program "Until the picture is clear", which summarized the current Arab situation, the causes of the crises in the Arab world, from 1980 to 2011, and what may happen in 2021.</p>	
3	<p>May 2018, donating to a Jordanian family, school expenses for their children</p>	
4	<p>In May 2018, during SPHER visit to Cairo, Dr. Ahmed Al-Ghraib coordinated a visit to the first castor plant factory, whose first seed was planted in 2016.</p>	
5	<p>In August 2018, the organization sent letters to the embassies of the GCC crisis countries: Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Bahrain and Qatar, as well as Kuwait, the mediator in the crisis. SPHER submitted a proposal to resolve the crisis, before it became complicated, and reaching a stage that could not be resolved in less than a decade, such as the previous crises of 1980, 1990, 2001, 2011.</p>	
6	<p>October, paying school fees for Egyptian family kids.</p>	
7	<p>November 2018, attend 15th Arab International Mineral Resources Conference. 26-28 November 2018. Cairo, Egypt. We presented a paper titled: The future of geothermal energy and hydrogen power in the Arab world.</p>	

2019

1	<p>3rd January, visit the "SIPA Drilling Senegal organization, in Paris, and Donate £1500 to Drill a well in Senegal. The well is not for water only, it is providing jobs for the farmers there too.</p>	
2	<p>3rd January, meeting journalist Sami Kleeb, in Paris, in order to cooperate in the field of rejecting sectarianism, and to raise awareness of the importance of political stability for the sake of human and environment rights.</p>	

3	29 th January, addressing the French Embassy in Abu Dhabi, requesting an appointment for the interview, to discuss the issue of the yellow vests movement.	
4	20 th April, donation to heart-to-heart project, eart2Heart, for pediatric heart operations, in Egypt, through Doctors Rotary in Cairo.	
5	17 th June, addressing the Saudi and UAE embassies in London and providing a complete analysis and solution to ships terrorism in the Arabian Gulf region and the Gulf of Oman.	
6	On August 19, The Representative of SPHER International in Gaza, Amjad al-Mahlawi, bought and slaughtered the sacrifices\sheeps, and distributed their meat to poor families in Gaza.	
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7	20 th October, participating in the conference "No to violence against women", in Cairo, organized by the Egyptian-German Center for Training and Consultancy, with a working paper entitled "Cold Violence Against Women".	
8	21 st October, a seminar on self-development, entitled: Earth Chakras and The Chakras of Egypt" Ateliah AIQahera-Cairo.	
9	4 November, attend The Union of International Associations (UIA) Round table. Brussels, Belgium.	

2020

1	<p>25 January-5 February, SPHER International visited Senegal. The visit was hosted by the Free Association for Full Defense and Assistance to the Needy in Africa, ALDINA. During the visit Senegalese culture was introduced. Plus, visiting the most important milestones related to the culture of society related to freedoms, education and the family.</p>	
		
2	<p>February 1st, laying the foundation stone for the construction of a school of basic education in Dakar. This is in collaboration with the ALDINA Society in Senegal. The school money is a donor from a person to SPHER International and it will be in his name, Mohammed Bin Jassim Arabic-French School.</p>	
3	<p>February, writing articles, and making videos about Sheikh Ahmed Bamba, who founded a Sufi society. His Sufi Group based on humbleness and love of the prophet Mohamed. His followers are scientifically and morally driven.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center; color: green; font-weight: bold;">3</p>
4	<p>March, donation to heart-to-heart project, eart2Heart, for pediatric heart operations, in Egypt, through Doctors Rotary in Cairo.</p>	