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Emigration Ministry holds sessions to enhance Egypt's Voice in Africa initiative

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USPA NEWS - Egypt's Minister of Emigration and Egyptian Expatriates Affairs Nabila Makram held dialogue sessions, on Monday, with a number of Egyptian expats in African countries.

This comes as part of the ministry's efforts to enhance the "Egypt's Voice in Africa" initiative that forms part of Egypt's efforts to restore its pioneering role in the continent.

The initiative aims at benefiting from the soft powers of Egyptian communities across Africa, in parallel with the existing Egyptian diplomatic efforts.

Egypt has taken firm strides over the past years to enhance cooperation with Africa, in line with President Abdel Fattah Al-Sisi's vision to restore Egypt's pioneering role in Africa.

Makram also plans to hold a weekly meeting with Egyptian expats in Africa to exchange views. She said that the initiative aims to support the political leadership's directions in consolidating relations with African countries.

Meanwhile, Member of the Parliament (MP) Sherif El-Gabaly noted the importance of opening new markets for Egyptian products inside Africa. He also affirmed the need to coordinate with African countries in culture, industry, and tourism sectors.

In the same context, Al-Walid Al-Shamy, Head of the Egyptian Export Council for Handicrafts, noted the importance of expanding exports to Africa. This would include setting a clear vision and executive steps to promote Egyptian various products.

He pointed out the importance of investing in the medical fields for hospitals and pharmacies, explaining that the Egyptian products are characterised by their effectiveness and appropriate price.

Makram lauded the proposals presented by working groups that include representatives from each Egyptian community in Africa to communicate with Egyptian ministries and institutions in order to develop an immediate action plan.

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