

High Representative's Decision on state-owned real property

Today the High Representative, Ambassador Wolfgang Petritsch, issued a Decision that obliges municipalities to ensure that the re-allocation of socially owned property, which is the patrimony of all the citizens of the municipality, to include those refugees and displaced persons who were formerly domiciled in the municipality, is non-discriminatory and in the best interest of the public.

Municipal authorities who wish to re-allocate socially owned land may do so, provided the authorities clearly show to OHR that the re-allocation proposal is non-discriminatory and in the best interest of the public. Upon such a showing, OHR will issue a written waiver of the aforesaid High Representative Decision.