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Mr. Husein Mahmutovic Mayor of Ilidza Sarajevo Canton Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Dear Mr. Mahmutovic,

I refer to your letter of 18 January 2001 requesting a written waiver from the High Representative's Decision of 27 April 2000 that bans the reallocation of state owned property, including former socially-owned property.

In particular, you request this office to allow the Municipality of Ilidza to allocate one land plot, registered in the land books as cadastral unit 2603/7, covering the area of 705 m^2 – cadastral municipality of Hrasnica, to Mr. Faruk Helja for the purpose of individual housing construction.

The enclosed land records demonstrate that the above mentioned cadastral number refers to socially-owned and undeveloped field, with no previous user registered, and that the right of the land disposal rests with the Enterprise Jugopetrol Sarajevo, which was legally succeeded by Energoinvest-Energopetrol Sarajevo. The allocation of land to Mr. Faruk Helja was confirmed by the Steering Board of the Enterprise Energoinvest-Energopetrol, Sarajevo, in its decision number UO 85/00 of 26 October 2000.

The Municipal Council of Ilidza approved the land allocation in question by its Decision number 01-31-1675/00 of 21 December 2000, while the Municipal Urbanism Department gave the urban permit for the proposed construction in its Decision number 03-23-4677/99 of 21 February 2000. The land allocation in question was also approved by the Cantonal Public Attorney, Ms. Nermina Zaciragic, who states in her letter number M-43/01 MF/MS of 19 June 2001 that there are no legal obstacles for the issuance of the requested waiver of the High Representative's Decision of 27 April 2000.

Mr. Helja is obliged to pay compensation for the land facilities (rent) of 1,440.00 KM, as well as the land allocation compensation of 22,785.60 KM.

In light of the information that you have provided, this office authorises the Municipality of Ilidza to allocate the aforesaid land for the purpose described above.

To the extent that this waiver is granted on the basis of the validity of the documentation you have provided, this waiver shall itself cease to be valid if a court of competent jurisdiction, under a final and binding decision, brings into question the authenticity or accuracy of this documentation, and/or the information that it contains.

This waiver is also granted on the understanding and condition that the beneficiary named above, inasmuch as he himself or his immediate family members are users of abandoned/claimed property, he and/or his immediate family members will, in a period of not more than 90 days from the date of the issuance of this decision, fully vacate this property. In addition, within the period stated, he must provide to your office correct documentary evidence, approved by the relevant housing body, that he himself and/or immediate family members have fully vacated all such property, and that the property remains in a habitable condition. Inasmuch as these conditions are not met, this waiver ceases to be valid immediately upon the expiry of the period stated.

Sincerely,

Ambassadon Valerie Sluijter

Deputy High Representative for Return and Reconstruction