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Ms Selvedina Uljić Mayor Zavidovici Municipality Zenica-Doboj Canton Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Dear Ms Uljić,

I refer to your letter of 18 December 2002 requesting on behalf of the Municipality of Zavidovići 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 Zavidovići to allocate with compensation and on the basis of advertisement placed in "Dnevni avaz" and "Nezavisne novine" on 11 August 2002, one plot of city construction land, registered in the cadastral records number 232 as cadastral unit 662/2, covering the area of 870 m², cadastral municipality of Zavidovići, for use to the below listed corporate Investors, all from Zavidovići:

- 1. Merdić Suada with 5/10 share;
- 2. Ahmetović Azra with 1/10 share;
- 3. Brčić Aida with 2/10 share and
- 4. "Eko-stil" LLC with 2/10 share.

The Investors have pooled resources on the basis of the Contract on Joint Construction of Business Premises number OV. 2222/02 of 21 August 2000.

The copy of cadastral records number 06/30-9049/02 of 18 December 2002 that you enclose demonstrate that the above mentioned cadastral number refers to undeveloped state-owned city land and that the right of the land possession rests with the Municipality of Zavidovići with no other users registered.

Based on Articles 6 and 17, paragraph 1, and Articles 47 and 48 of the Law on Construction Land, and Articles 6 and 12 of the Decision on Construction Land, and Article 55, Item 2 of the Zavidovići Municipal Statute, the Municipal Council of Zavidovići approved the land allocation in question by its Decision number 01-31-2578 of 30 October 2002, while the Department for geodetic, legal-property affairs and urbanism of the Municipality of Zavidovići issued the urban permit for the proposed construction by its decision number 06-31-1620-390 of 18 December 2002. The land allocation in question

was also approved by the Municipal Public Attorney, Mr Bahrija Muminović who states in his opinion number R: 70/2002 of 12 December 2002 that the proposed land allocation is in accordance with all the relevant laws and regulations.

The Investors are obliged to pay the land allocation compensation in the amount of 11,136 KM and the compensation for the land facilities (rent) in the amount of 42,209.60 KM.

Investors, Merdić Suada, Ahmetović Azra, Brčić Aida and "Eko-stil" LLC from Zavidovići will be registered in the land books as the new users of the land in question upon enforcement of the Decision of the Municipal Council.

In light of the information that you have provided, this office authorises the Municipality of Zavidovići 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 60 days from your receipt 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,

Ambassador Peter Bas - Backer

Deputy High/Representative for Return and Reconstruction