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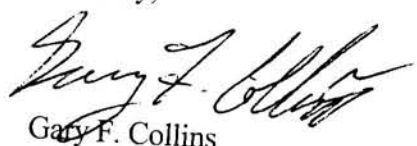
Dear Mayor Piljic,

I refer to your letter of 1 November 2000 requesting a written waiver of the High Representative's Decision of 27 April 2000 that bans the reallocation of socially-owned property, excluding socially-owned apartments.

In particular, the Municipality of Sipovo requests this office to approve the sale of municipal business premises, covering the area of 27.71 m², 38.02 m², 38.02 m² and 27.71 m², to Vladimir Medic, Denis Djukic (buyer of business premises 2 & 3) and Zoran Stojicic. You also state that the business premises were under construction in the immediate pre-war period and thus served no purpose, that they were sold to the forenamed gentlemen in an open auction, approved by the Municipal Assembly on 27 September 2000 and advertized in the local media, and that the buyers of the business premises are obliged to pay 33,252 KM, 30,416 KM, 45,624 KM and 37,408 KM respectively before signing the contract of purchase. In addition, the municipal authorities of Sipovo, who have complied with all relevant local laws and regulations, consider this project to be in the best public interest as the sale of the business premises will keep them from further destruction and the proceeds from the sale will be used for the reconstruction purposes in the Municipality of Sipovo.

In light of the information you have given, this office approves the sale of the business premises belonging to the Municipality of Sipovo for the above described purpose.

Sincerely,



Gary F. Collins
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