<u>Decision amending various provisions of the Federation Law on</u> <u>Cessation of Application of the Law on Temporary Abandoned Real</u> <u>Property by Citizens</u>

In accordance with my authority under <u>Annex 10</u> of the <u>General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina</u>, and Article XI of the Conclusions of the Peace Implementation Council held in Bonn on 10 December 1997, I hereby

DECIDE

The Law on Amendments to the Law on Cessation of Application of the Law on Temporary Abandoned Real Property Owned by Citizens, as hereby attached as an integral part of this Decision, shall enter into force as a law of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

2 July 1999

Carlos Westendorp High Representative Sarajevo

Law on Amendments to the Law on the Cessation of the Application of the Law on Temporary Abandoned Real Property Owned by Citizens

Article 1

In the Law on the Cessation of the Application of the Law on Temporary Abandoned Real Property Owned by Citizens ("Official Gazette of FBiH No.11/98") in Article 4, after paragraph 1 a new paragraph 2 shall be added:

"Exceptionally, claims for repossession of real property may also be made by persons who were in unconditional possession of the real property at the time it was declared abandoned."

Article 2

In Article 7 of the Law, in paragraph 1 after the word "apartment' shall be added the words "or real property.

Article 3

In Article 12 of the Law, after paragraph 3 a new paragraph 4 shall be added as follows:

"Exceptionally from the provision of paragraph 3 of this Article, the deadline for vacating the property for an illegal user, or a temporary user of the property who is not entitled to alternative accommodation, shall be 15 days from the date of delivery of the decision referred to in paragraph 1."

Paragraphs 4 and 5 shall become paragraphs 5 and 6.

Article 4

After Article 17 of the Law, a new Article 17a will be added as follows:

Article 17a

The provisions of this Law shall also apply to real property owned by citizens which was not declared abandoned in accordance with the regulations referred to in Article 1 of this Law, if the owner abandoned the real property before 4 April 1998.

All biding court decisions which order the return of real property to the possession of the owner shall be enforced by the court.

"Pending proceedings on the return of real property to the possession of the owner will continue, while new claims for the return of property shall be submitted to the responsible organ under Article 11 of this Law."

Article 5

This Law shall enter into force the day after its publication in the "Official Gazette of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina". In Article 7 of the Law, in paragraph 1 after the word "apartment' shall be added the words" or real property.

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