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Ms. Milanka Zec-Kisin
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OHR-RRTF-HR / 019

Dear Ms. Zec-Kisin,

I refer to your letter of 6 December 2000 requesting a written waiver of the High Representative's Decision of 27 April 2000 that bans the reallocation of socially-owned land.

In particular, you request this office to allow the Municipality of Banja Luka to allocate 291 m² of socially-owned construction land, registered in the land books under number 87/61 (2418/5), to Ms. Nevenka Kondic for the purpose of legalization of the previously constructed house in Banja Luka. You write that the official user of the land is the City of Banja Luka - as the legal successor of the Self-Governing Interest Administration for Physical Planning and Utilities (SIZ), that the land allocation was approved by the RS Secretariat for Urbanism, Traffic and Utilities on 8 May 2000 and confirmed by the Municipal Assembly on 24 May 2000, that the land in question is not subject to any dispute before the Banja Luka Municipal Court, and that the compensation to be paid by the beneficiary amounts to 10,503 KM. The land allocation in question has also been approved by Ms. Dragica Miletic, Deputy Public Attorney responsible for the Banja Luka region, who confirms that the responsible authorities of Banja Luka have complied with all relevant local laws and regulations.

In light of the information you have provided, this office authorizes the Municipality of Banja Luka to allocate the aforesaid land for the purpose described above.

Sincerely,



Gary F. Collins
Property Team Leader
Department of Human Rights and Rule of Law