## OFFICE OF THE HIGH REPRESENTATIVE

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Mr. Velimir Gigovic Mayor of Srpska Gorazde Municipality Republika Srpska

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Dear Mayor Gigovic,

I write concerning your letter dated 17 August 2000 requesting a written waiver of the High Representative's Decision of 27 April 2000 that prohibits the re-allocation of socially owned land.

In particular, the Municipality of Srpska Gorazde requests this office to authorise the Municipality to reallocate state owned land for the purpose of building a police station. You have submitted documentation that this land is an orchard and was not used for cultural or religious purposes prior to the conflict; neither was the land used by individuals for agricultural purposes. The municipality has also complied with all relevant local rules and procedures for the reallocation of this land.

In light of the information you have given, this office authorises the Municipality of Srpska Gorazde to allocate the aforesaid land for the purpose described above.

Yours sincerely,

Gary F Collins

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