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# UNITED NATIONS (UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST) and ISRAEL

Exchange of letters constituting an agreement on the clearing of the Nuweimeh camp in the Jericho area. Vienna, 10 and 12 July 1985

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## et ISRAËL

Échange de lettres constituant un accord relatif au déblaiement du camp de Nuweimeh dans la région de Jéricho. Vienne, 10 et 12 juillet 1985

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EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT' BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS (UNITED NATIONS RE-LIEF AND WORKS AGENCY FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST) AND ISRAEL ON THE CLEARING OF THE NUWEIMEH CAMP IN THE JERICHO AREA

I

#### PERMANENT MISSION OF ISRAEL TO THE UNITED NATIONS **VIENNA**

10 July 1985

Dear Mr. Rydbeck,

This is with reference to the Nuweimeh camp in the Jericho area which has been vacant for several years. In view of the extent of the deterioration of the shelters in the camp and the danger this poses to the health of the people in the area we believe it is in the public interest to clear the area in its entirety.

You may rest assured that the clearance of the area will be arranged at no cost to UNRWA and in a manner designed to cause the minimum inconvenience to all concerned. The area, when cleared, will not be used by the Israel authorities who will return it to the sole possession of UNRWA for appropriate use by UNRWA in accordance with agreed procedures.

Yours sincerely,

[Signed] MICHAEL ELIZUR Ambassador Permanent Representative

Mr. O. Rydbeck Commissioner-General United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East Vienna International Centre Vienna

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into force on 12 July 1985 by the exchange of the said letters.

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#### OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL

12 July 1985

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Dear Ambassador Elizur,

Please refer to your letter dated 10 July 1985 relating to the Nuweimeh camp in the Jericho area in which you inform me that the Israeli authorities believe it to be in the public interest to clear the entire area, since the camp, due to the deterioration of the shelters, poses dangers to the health of the people in the area.

I concede that the camp has deteriorated to a point where it cannot be restored and that it may pose dangers to the health of the neighbouring population. You will however appreciate that the site of the camp has been made available to the Agency by the Jordanian Government for a certain specific purpose and I am glad to note the assurance in your letter that the camp site, when cleared, will remain at the sole disposal of UNRWA for appropriate use in accordance with agreed procedures and will not be used by the Israeli authorities.

Yours sincerely,

[Signed]
OLOF RYDBECK
Commissioner-General

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