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Coordination of Actions in
the Occupied Territories

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Ministry of Defense
Assistant to Minister of Defense
Office of the Chief of Staff
Office of Head of Operations
Central Command Major-General
Commander of Judea and Samaria
Legal Adviser to the Security System
Head of Construction and Economy Division

Re: The method of establishing Kiryat Arba

1. Discussion about the matter was held on Tuesday July 14 1970, at the Ministry of Defense with the participation of: -
 - Minister of Defense
 - Director General of the Ministry of Housing and his assistants
 - Central Command Chief of Staff
 - Commander of Judea and Samaria
 - Commander of Hebron district
 - Legal Adviser to the Security System
 - Defense Ministry spokesman
 - Head of Operations/MZV
2. The discussion summary is as follows:
 - A. The construction of 250 housing units in Kiryat Arba will be implemented within the perimeter of the enclosure set for the military unit.
 - B. The entire construction will be carried out via the Ministry of Defense – Construction and Economy Division (from the Housing Ministry's budget), and will be presented as part of the construction for the needs of the IDF.
 - C. In due course, it will be considered whether first to house military personnel in the buildings that will be constructed.

D. The Chief of Staff will instruct Training Base 14 to expand the fenced area of the camp such that it will surround the entire area intended for the 250 housing units, and on condition that there are no buildings or groves within the area.

E. Likewise, several tents will be set up in the additional area in Training Base 14.

F. After completion of the activities by Training Base 14 and several days later the Commander of Hebron district will summon the Mayor of Hebron by raising other issues: --

1. [He]] shall inform him that we started to build houses inside military camp for the coming winter.
2. We do not wish to harm the landowners in the area of the base (about 200 dunam out of a total 3,000 dunam of the closed area), and although we do not destroy or harm any house or tree, we will be prepared to pay user fees and compensation according to the law.
3. To this end, we issued a seizure order for the area and we ask Ja'bari to notify the 27 landowners, as listed, to contact the Governor and obtain what is due to them.

G. At the same time, the Ministry of Housing will forward all the information to the Department of Construction and Economy at the Ministry of Defense which will sign a contract with the contractor who won the tender, to carry out the work as planned and as soon as possible.

3. All of the above (with the exception of Articles 2 D and E, which are to be implemented immediately)—requires prior coordination with the Minister of Housing and will not be implemented until further instruction.

[Signed]

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