

November 10, 2022

Secretary of State Antony Blinken  
United States Department of State  
Washington, D.C.

Ambassador Thomas R. Nides  
United States Embassy in Israel  
Department of State  
Tel Aviv

Re: Plans for new U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem on Illegally Confiscated Palestinian Land

Dear Secretary Blinken and Ambassador Nides:

We are writing regarding the proposed plan of the U.S. State Department and the U.S. Embassy in Israel to build a new embassy compound in Jerusalem (Plan 101-0810796 - “Diplomatic Compound - USA, Hebron Road, Jerusalem”). Recently revealed information from the Israel State Archives confirms that the proposed site is on land that belongs to Palestinians, including U.S. citizens, that has been illegally confiscated by Israel under the 1950 Absentees’ Property Law.

We write on behalf of several Palestinian heirs to this land to formally bring this information to the State Department’s attention, and to demand an immediate cessation of this plan. We request a meeting with the State Department and the U.S. Embassy to clarify the U.S. Government’s position on Israel’s authority to extinguish property rights under the Absentees’ Property Law, and to ensure that the Biden Administration takes no further steps to entrench the unlawful dispossession of Palestinian refugee property and, more fundamentally, the decision to move the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem contrary to international consensus.

**By maintaining and expanding its Embassy in Jerusalem, the United States is in violation of its international legal obligations.**

Maintaining and expanding the U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem is a violation of international law, just as moving the Embassy to Jerusalem and declaring it the capital of Israel was in the first instance. Since UN General Assembly Resolution 181 (1947), Jerusalem has been recognized to have a special separate status (*corpus separatum*). As a result, the international community holds that sovereignty over Jerusalem remains, for most states, undetermined. Moreover, Israel’s 1980 annexation of East Jerusalem has been consistently rejected, as the international community continues to reaffirm the inadmissibility of the acquisition of territory by force. This status is

reflected in numerous UN Security Council and General Assembly Resolutions.<sup>1</sup> A U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem, regardless of where the Embassy is located, ignores this consensus and signals approval of Israel's illegal annexation.

This move would also violate international law in that it would constitute a breach of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations - 1961, to which the United States, the State of Palestine and Israel are parties. The Convention clearly states that any diplomatic mission established must be within the express territorial sovereignty of that state. As Jerusalem has a special legal status under international law, this move would constitute a clear breach of the Convention. It also contravenes Palestinians' right to self-determination, the right they have to "freely determine their political status and freely pursue their economic, social and cultural development."<sup>2</sup>

The proposed new embassy site also breaks with decades of U.S. policy on Jerusalem. In fact, the U.S. State Department in 1953 opposed Israel's transfer of its foreign office to Jerusalem and its refusal to move the U.S. embassy to the city citing international law and the special status of Jerusalem. Attached as Appendix 2 is the press release from the U.S. State Department, dated July 28, 1953.

### **Proof of Palestinian ownership of the land in question.**

In July 2022, Adalah published newly discovered archival records from the Israel State Archives demonstrating clear proof of Palestinian ownership of the land earmarked for the proposed site of the U.S. Embassy in Jerusalem. The documents offer definitive proof that the land in question was owned by Palestinians and temporarily leased to British Mandate authorities before the dispossession of Palestinian residents from West Jerusalem and the establishment of Israel in 1948, in what Palestinians refer to as the Nakba. This period saw massive seizures of Palestinian land and mass refugee displacement. These archival lease agreements, attached as Appendix 1, offer vivid detail on who owned the land before Israel seized it, including the names of the Palestinian landowners – individuals from the Habib, Qleibo, El Khalidi, Razzaq, and El-Khalili families, among others. Descendants of these original owners, who include U.S. citizens, have demanded that the U.S. State Department cancel this plan.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> See, e.g., U.N. Security Council Resolutions 242 (1967), 338 (1973), 476 (1980), 478 (1980) and 2334 (2016); U.N. General Assembly Resolution ES-10/19, A/Res/ES-10/19 (2017). Notably, Security Council Resolution 478 specifically calls upon all States to refrain from the establishment of diplomatic missions in Jerusalem. S.C. Res. 478, 5(b), U.N. SCOR, U.N. Doc. S/Res/478 (Aug. 20, 1980).

<sup>2</sup> See the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, Art. 1, 16 Dec 1966, United Nations, Treaty Series, vol. 999, p. 171; International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights, Treaty Series, vol. 999, 16 Dec 1966, p. 171; UN General Assembly, Situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967, A/77/356, 21 Sept 2022, p. 6-10, [https://www.un.org/unispal/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/A.77.356\\_210922.pdf](https://www.un.org/unispal/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/A.77.356_210922.pdf) ("The right to self-determination is an "inalienable right" of the Palestinian people, as affirmed by the General Assembly.").

<sup>3</sup> See, e.g., *Adalah reveals new evidence that joint US-Israeli plan for embassy in Jerusalem is located on Palestinian private property*, Adalah – The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel, Jul. 7, 2022, <https://www.adalah.org/en/content/view/10653>; Thomas Dallal and Ghousoon Bisharat, *What's The Story? Ali Qleibo on the United States Embassy stealing his family's land*, Mondoweiss, Oct. 24, 2022, <https://mondoweiss.net/2022/10/whats-the-story-ali-qleibo-on-the-united-states-embassy-stealing-his-familys-land/>.

In response to media inquiries on the subject in July of this year, the Embassy affirmed that in this and all such property acquisitions, “due diligence” is exercised. We are concerned that such due diligence did not reveal the Palestinian ownership of these properties, or worse, that the US State Department's due diligence criteria does not consider the private property rights of the Palestinian owners, including some US citizens, as well as the United States' international legal obligations.

### **The US Embassy’s planned expansion on this site entrenches Israel’s unlawful dispossession.**

Should the U.S. proceed with this plan, it would not only be complicit with Israel’s illegal confiscation of Palestinian-owned land, but it would also become an active participant in the seizure of the land of U.S. citizens.

As a result of the expulsion from their homeland in 1948, several of the original landowners fled and sought refuge in the U.S. and a number are now U.S. citizens. The Department of State and its foreign service officers have an obligation to protect the interests of United States citizens overseas, including their foreign estates and inheritances. *See, e.g.* 22 C.F.R. § 71.3. The U.S. Constitution extends its protections to private property interests extraterritorially in certain circumstances, including to property interests of non-resident citizens. *See, e.g., Atamirzayeva v. United States*, 524 F.3d 1320, 1327-28 (Fed. Cir. 2008) (finding that the Fifth Amendment’s Takings Clause could apply to a seizure of foreign property of a non-citizen who has sufficient connections to the United States). Yet if it proceeds with this plan, the U.S. State Department is participating in the violation of the private property rights of its own citizens.

As noted, Israel seized this land under the 1950 Absentees’ Property Law, which was used widely to dispossess Palestinian refugees and internally displaced Palestinians from their property in the years following the 1948 Nakba and again in 1967. The law violates international law applicable to the 1948 war, which engendered the Palestinian refugee problem. Article 46 of the regulations attached to the 1907 Hague Convention Respecting the Laws and Customs of War on Land stipulates the need to respect the right of private property and explicitly prohibits the confiscation of private property.<sup>4</sup>

If built, the U.S. embassy compound will be located on land that was seized from Palestinians in violation of international law, including Article 46 of the Hague Regulations. Both [Human Rights Watch](#) and [Amnesty International](#) have identified the Absentees’ Property Law as a foundational tool of Israel’s oppression and domination of Palestinians within a broader Apartheid system. According to Amnesty, the law “effectively gave the state control over all property belonging to Palestinians who were expelled or fled their homes”, wherein such persons “were deemed

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<sup>4</sup> The violation of the Hague Regulations also falls within the definition of “plunder” as used at Nuremberg trials. *See*: Michael Kagan, “Destructive Ambiguity - Enemy Nationals and the Legal Enabling of Ethnic Conflict in the Middle East,” *Columbia Human Rights Law Review* vol. 38(2) (Winter 2007), p. 295. The ruling in Case No. 10 of the US Military Tribunal at Nuremberg, *U.S. v. Alfred Krupp et al.*, was the first to address the confiscation of property following the end of fighting in the Second World War. The court ruled, *inter alia*, that the confiscation in questions constituted a violation of Article 46 of the Hague Regulations that prohibit, as noted, the confiscation of private property (U.S. Military Tribunal at Nuremberg, *U.S. v. Alfred Krupp et al.*, cited in *How Does Law Protect in War?* Second Edition (2006), ICRC, vol. 2, p. 1030). *See* Kagan p. 272. *See also* Fourth Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War, Geneva, 12 August 1949, art. 33 (prohibiting pillage); Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, A/Conf. 183/13 (1998), art. 8(2)(b)(xvi) (war crime of pillage).

“absentees” even though they never crossed an international border and, in many cases, remained within a few kilometers of their homes and land.” The U.S. Embassy plan to build on this land will also violate the private property rights of Palestinian landowners and the internationally established right of Palestinian refugees to return to their homes and gain restitution of their properties.<sup>5</sup>

Given these violations, Adalah and the Center for Constitutional Rights call on the Biden Administration to immediately cancel this plan and demand Israeli authorities withdraw their plan for the US diplomatic compound on this land.

We thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Our request is time sensitive, as the Israel Authorities submitted the plan for public comment on November 7<sup>th</sup>. We hope to hear back from you soon to set a time to meet to discuss our concerns.

Sincerely,



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Suhad Bishara, Advocate, *on behalf of*  
Adalah –  
The Legal Center for Arab Minority Rights in Israel



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Diala Shamas, Esq., *on behalf of*  
The Center for Constitutional Rights

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<sup>5</sup> UNGA resolution 194 (III), December 11, 1948.



Hiring No. 1020

File No. 37/27/604/106

**HIRING AGREEMENT No.**An agreement made this 23rd day of May 1947between Latifa daughter of Francis Rashil,  
of Ain Karim Village, Jerusalem Sub-District.

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the

District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks for the  
period 1st April 1947 to 31st March, 1948.determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 14.135 mls.per annum payable by half-yearly instalments, ~~the first instalment being paid~~  
annual~~3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
~~6 months~~

## 2. THE TENANT AGREES:

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

## 3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:

- i) The Tenant may, by giving one month's notice in writing to the Landlord, determine the tenancy hereby granted on any day.
- ii) The tenant may, during the tenancy, carry out any work on the said land, including the erection of buildings and the installation of fixtures etc. which he may desire.
- iii) The Tenant may at any time remove all or any of the buildings or other structures or materials erected or placed by him upon the land and shall, at the expiration of the tenancy, if so required by the Landlord, restore the said land as nearly as may be to the state in which it was when first hired or pay compensation in lieu of such restoration, PROVIDED ALWAYS that such compensation shall not be greater than the value of the land at the time when possession thereof was first taken, no account being taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to the emergency.
- iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as is agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

## 4. THE LANDLORD AGREES:

- i) That the Tenant performing his obligations hereunder shall peaceably hold and enjoy the aforesaid land during the said term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for him.
- ii) To pay all and discharge all outgoings imposed on the said land or upon the occupier thereof by the Government or any Local Authority.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained the Tenant undertakes for the purposes of Section 2 (2) of the Defence (Exemption from Rates) Regulations, 1943, to bear any increase in rates directly due to the Tenant's occupation.

6. AND IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND DECLARED:

i) That any notice required under this Agreement may be given by registered letter and the parties hereto waive any right to be served with a notarial notice notwithstanding anything contained in the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure.

ii) That any notice dispute whatever between the parties on any matter arising out of this Agreement and the tenancy hereby concluded, shall be referred to a Committee consisting of the Assistant District Commissioner and the District Engineer of the Public Works Department, both of the District in which the land is situated, and a Military Member to be nominated by the Tenant and the decision of the said Committee on such questions shall be absolutely final and binding on both parties.

7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mils
30113	10	2570 <del>177</del> sq. m.	11/60 <del>share</del>	171 sq. m.	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand this 23rd day of May 1947

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

[Signature]  
Witness

Landlord  
Latife F. Rashid

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

[Signature]  
Witness

[Signature]  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
Tenant  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.



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Hiring No. 1020  
File No. 37/27/604/102

## HIRING AGREEMENT NO.

An agreement made this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1947  
between Rosa Habib attorney of  
Elin Biehara Habib  
of Hamillah Road, Jerusalem

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the  
District Commissioner of Jerusalem District, on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks for the  
period 1st April, 1947 to 31st March 1948

determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 6.708 mila  
payable by half-yearly instalments, the first instalment being paid  
annual

~~3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
~~1st April 1947~~

### 2. THE TENANT AGREES:

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

### 3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:

- i) The Tenant may, by giving one month's notice in writing to the Landlord, determine the tenancy hereby granted on any day.
- ii) The Tenant may, during the tenancy, carry out any work on the said land, including the erection of buildings and the installation of fixtures etc. which he may desire.
- iii) The Tenant may at any time remove all or any of the buildings or other structures or materials erected or placed by him upon the land and shall, at the expiration of the tenancy, if so required by the Landlord, restore the said land as nearly as may be to the state in which it was when first hired or pay compensation in lieu of such restoration, PROVIDED ALWAYS that such compensation shall not be greater than the value of the land at the time when possession thereof was first taken, no account being taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to the emergency.
- iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as is agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

### 4. THE LANDLORD AGREES:

- i) That the Tenant performing his obligations hereunder shall peaceably hold and enjoy the aforesaid land during the said term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for him.
- ii) To pay all and discharge all outgoings imposed on the said land or upon the occupier thereof by the Government or any Local Authority.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained the Tenant undertakes for the purposes of Section 2 (2) of the Defence (Exemption from Rates) Regulations, 1943, to bear any increase in rates directly due to the Tenant's occupation.

6. AND IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND DECLARED:

i) That any notice required under this Agreement may be given by registered letter and the parties hereto waive any right to be served with a notarial notice notwithstanding anything contained in the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure.

ii) That any notice dispute whatever between the parties on any matter arising out of this Agreement and the tenancy hereby concluded, shall be referred to a Committee consisting of the Assistant District Commissioner and the District Engineer of the Public Works Department, both of the District in which the land is situated, and a Military Member to be nominated by the Tenant and the decision of the said Committee on such questions shall be absolutely final and binding on both parties.

7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mils
30113	11	2.738	1/12	0.228	29400

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 194 7

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

For H. Walker  
Now Bechara

Landlord

power of attorney N<sup>o</sup> 141/148/945  
of 20.10.45

Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

Shauk E. Karam  
Tenant

Witness

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM, DISTRICT.



661  
Hiring No. 1020

File No. 37/27/604/152

HIRING AGREEMENT NO.

An agreement made this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 1947  
between Mr. Henna Aboussouan, c/o Lutfi Aboussouan, Commercial  
of Jerusalem. Centre

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the  
District Commissioner of Jerusalem District on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks for the  
period 1st April 1947 to 31st March 1948

determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 25.182 mils  
per annum payable by half-yearly instalments, the first instalment to be paid  
annual

~~2. The Tenant agrees to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.~~  
~~3. The Tenant agrees not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.~~

2. THE TENANT AGREES:

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:

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4. THE LANDLORD AGREES:

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7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mil
30113	19	6.715	3/24	0.840	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand this 31st. day of May 194 7

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

Hanna Aboussouan

P.P.

*[Signature]*  
Landlord

*[Signature]*  
Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

*[Signature]*  
Tenant  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

*[Signature]*  
Witness



661  
Hiring No. 1020  
File No. 37/27/604/151

HIRING AGREEMENT NO.

PALESTINE STAMP  
An agreement made this 31st day of May 1947  
between Mr. Negib Aboussouan, c/o Commercial Centre  
of Jerusalem.

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the  
District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

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per annum payable by half yearly instalments, the first instalment being paid  
annual

~~3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
~~3 months~~

2. THE TENANT AGREES:

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- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:

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30113	19	6715	3/24	0.839	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand this 31st. day of May 194 7

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

Negib Aboussouan

p.p.

Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

Tenant

Witness

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER



667  
Hiring No. 1020

File No. 37/27/604/150

**HIRING AGREEMENT No.**

An agreement made this 7th day of June 1947  
between Mr. Lutfi Aboussoun, Commercial Centre,  
Jerusalem.

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the

District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

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~~6 months~~

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301 <sup>1/2</sup>	19	6.715	3/24	0.839	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand this 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 194 7

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

*[Signature]*

Landlord

*[Signature]*

Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

*[Signature]*  
Witness

*[Signature]*  
Tenant  
*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner  
*[Signature]*  
Assistant District



Hiring No. 1020

File No. 37/27/604/120

## HIRING AGREEMENT NO.

An agreement made this 3rd day of June 1947  
between Hassen Ali Gleibo, Damascus Gate,  
of Jerusalem.

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the

District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks, Jerusalem. for the  
period 1st April, 1947, to 31st March, 1948

determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 9.449 mile

payable by half-yearly instalments, the first instalment being paid  
annual

3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on  
4 months

### 2. THE TENANT AGREES:

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

### 3. AND IT IS AGRFED THAT:

i) The Tenant may, by giving one month's notice in writing to the Landlord, determine the tenancy hereby granted on any day.

ii) The Tenant may, during the tenancy, carry out any work on the said land, including the erection of buildings and the installation of fixtures etc. which he may desire.

iii) The Tenant may at any time remove all or any of the buildings or other structures or materials erected or placed by him upon the land and shall, at the expiration of the tenancy, if so required by the Landlord, restore the said land as nearly as may be to the state in which it was when first hired or pay compensation in lieu of such restoration, PROVIDED ALWAYS that such compensation shall not be greater than the value of the land at the time when possession thereof was first taken, no account being taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to the emergency.

iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as is agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

### 4. THE LANDLORD AGREES:

i) That the Tenant performing his obligations hereunder shall peaceably hold and enjoy the aforesaid land during the said term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for him.

ii) To pay all and discharge all outgoings imposed on the said land or upon the occupier thereof by the Government or any Local Authority.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained the Tenant undertakes for the purposes of Section 2 (2) of the Defence (Exemption from Rates) Regulations, 1943, to bear any increase in rates directly due to the Tenant's occupation.

6. AND IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND DECLARED:

i) That any notice required under this Agreement may be given by registered letter and the parties hereto waive any right to be served with a notarial notice notwithstanding anything contained in the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure.

ii) That any notice dispute whatever between the parties on any matter arising out of this Agreement and the tenancy hereby concluded, shall be referred to a Committee consisting of the Assistant District Commissioner and the District Engineer of the Public Works Department, both of the District in which the land is situated, and a Military Member to be nominated by the Tenant and the decision of the said Committee on such questions shall be absolutely final and binding on both parties.

7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mils
30113	22	50.395	4/640	0.314	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS


In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand  
this 3rd day of June 194 7

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

  
Witness

  
Landlord

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

  
Witness

  
Tenant  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.



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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICES  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM

No. 37/27/604.

30 April, 1947.

Sir,  
Madam,  
Gentlemen,

/ v. e. f.  
1.4.47.

I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47, 48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of . L.R. 30,000 . . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of . .315 . . . . . square metres in Block No. 30113 . . . . . Parcel No. 22 . . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

F. E. MANN

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

TO: Patmeh el Khaldi.

*To Tahir el Khaldi  
Rameina,  
Jerusalem.*

Copy to:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.

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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICES  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM

No. 37/27/50b.

30 April, 1947.

Sir,  
Madam,  
Gentlemen,

wef 1.4.47 I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47, 48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of . . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of 35113 . . . . . square metres in Block No. . . . . Parcel No. . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

E. E. WANN

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

TO: Ifar Abdul Wahab  
Through Lanya Abu es Sand  
to Muhammad Abu es Sand,  
Mamilla Rd.,  
Jerusalem

Copy to:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.



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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICES  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM

No. 37/27/604.

30 April, 1947.

Sir,  
Madam,  
Gentlemen,

/ w. o. f.  
1. 4.47.

I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47, 48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of LP. 30.000 . . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of 315 . . . . . square metres in Block No. 30113 . . . . . Parcel No. 22 . . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

F. E. MANN

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

TO: Taher Eff. el Khalidi.

*Rummanah Qh.,  
Jerusalem*

Copy to:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.

GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

(1)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM.

No. 37/27/604/116

8 June, 1947

Sir,  
Madam,  
Gentlemen,

I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47,48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of . 12.30.- . . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of . 630 . . . . . square metres in Block No. . 30113 . . . . . Parcel No. . 22 . . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant.

F. E. MANN  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT

TO: Mahboubah Gleibo,  
c/o Husein Gleibo,  
Souk El Bizer, Old City,  
Jerusalem.

COPY TO:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.

Please consider my offer No. 37/27/604 dated 30th April, 1947, regarding the 787 Square metres plot of land in Block No. 30113, Parcel No. 22 as cancelled.



Hiring No. 1020

File No. 37/27/604/128

## HIRING AGREEMENT No.

An agreement made this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1947  
between Abdul-Razzak eff. Qleibo, District Administration,  
of Jerusalem, Beersheba.

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the

District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks, Jerusalem for the  
period 1st April, 1947 to 31st March, 1948

determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 9.449 mls.

payable by half-yearly instalments, the first instalment being paid

~~3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
~~6 months~~

### 2. THE TENANT AGREES:

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

### 3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:

- i) The Tenant may, by giving one month's notice in writing to the Landlord, determine the tenancy hereby granted on any day.
- ii) The Tenant may, during the tenancy, carry out any work on the said land, including the erection of buildings and the installation of fixtures etc. which he may desire.
- iii) The Tenant may at any time remove all or any of the buildings or other structures or materials erected or placed by him upon the land and shall, at the expiration of the tenancy, if so required by the Landlord, restore the said land as nearly as may be to the state in which it was when first hired or pay compensation in lieu of such restoration, PROVIDED ALWAYS that such compensation shall not be greater than the value of the land at the time when possession thereof was first taken, no account being taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to the emergency.
- iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as is agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

### 4. THE LANDLORD AGREES:

- i) That the Tenant performing his obligations hereunder shall peaceably hold and enjoy the aforesaid land during the said term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for him.
- ii) To pay all and discharge all outgoings imposed on the said land or upon the occupier thereof by the Government or any Local Authority.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained the Tenant undertakes for the purposes of Section 2 (2) of the Defence (Exemption from Rates) Regulations, 1943, to bear any increase in rates directly due to the Tenant's occupation.

6. AND IT IS FURTHER REQUIRED AGREED AND DECLARED:

i) That any notice reequred under this Agreement may be given by registered letter and the parties hereto waive any right to be served with a notarial notice notwithstanding anything contained in the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure.

ii) That any notice dispute whatever between the parties on any matter arising out of this Agreement and the tenancy hereby concluded, shall be referred to a Committee consisting of the Assistant District Commissioner and the District Engineer of the Public Works Department, both of the District in which the land is situated, and a Military Member to be nominated by the Tenant and the decision of the said Committee on such questions shall be absolutely final and binding on both parties.

7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mils
30113	22	50.395	1/640	0.0314	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand

this 20<sup>th</sup> day of August 1947

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

[Signature]  
Witness

[Signature]  
Landlord



Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

[Signature]  
Witness

[Signature]  
Tenant  
ACTING DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.



**HIRING AGREEMENT No.**

An agreement made this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1947  
between Husein eff. Ali Qleibo,  
of Suk el Bizar, Old City, Jerusalem.  
(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the

District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks, Jerusalem. for the  
period 1st April, 1947 to 31st March, 1947  
determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 9.449 mile

payable by half-yearly instalments, the first instalment being paid  
annual  
~~3-months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
~~6-months~~

2. **THE TENANT AGREES:**

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

3. **AND IT IS AGREED THAT:**

- i) The Tenant may, by giving one month's notice in writing to the Landlord, determine the tenancy hereby granted on any day.
- ii) The Tenant may, during the tenancy, carry out any work on the said land, including the erection of buildings and the installation of fixtures etc. which he may desire.
- iii) The Tenant may at any time remove all or any of the buildings or other structures or materials erected or placed by him upon the land and shall, at the expiration of the tenancy, if so required by the Landlord, restore the said land as nearly as may be to the state in which it was when first hired or pay compensation in lieu of such restoration, PROVIDED ALWAYS that such compensation shall not be greater than the value of the land at the time when possession thereof was first taken, no account being taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to the emergency.
- iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as is agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

4. **THE LANDLORD AGREES:**

- i) That the Tenant performing his obligations hereunder shall peaceably hold and enjoy the aforesaid land during the said term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for him.
- ii) To pay all and discharge all outgoing imposed on the said land or upon the occupier thereof by the Government or any Local Authority.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained the Tenant undertakes for the purposes of Section 2 (2) of the Defence (Exemption from Rates) Regulations, 1943, to bear any increase in rates directly due to the Tenant's occupation.

6. AND IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND DECLARED:

i) That any notice required under this Agreement may be given by registered letter and the parties hereto waive any right to be served with a notarial notice notwithstanding anything contained in the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure.

ii) That any notice dispute whatever between the parties on any matter arising out of this Agreement and the tenancy hereby concluded, shall be referred to a Committee consisting of the Assistant District Commissioner and the District Engineer of the Public Works Department, both of the District in which the land is situated, and a Military Member to be nominated by the Tenant and the decision of the said Committee on such questions shall be absolutely final and binding on both parties.

7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share 'M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in 'Mils
30113	22	50.395	4/640	0.314	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand

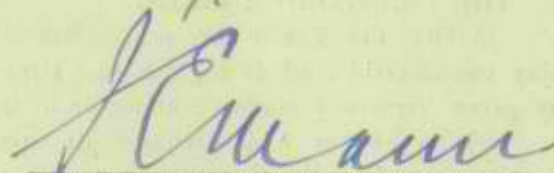
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1947

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

  
Landlord

  
Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

  
Tenant

  
Witness

✓ DISTRICT COMMISSIONER,  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.



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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICES  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM

No. 37/27/604.

30 April. 1947.

Sir,  
Madam,  
Gentlemen,

wef 1.4.47

I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47, 48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of LR. 30,000 . . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of . . . 314 . . . . . square metres in Block No. 30113 . . . . . Parcel No. 22 . . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

**F. E. MANN**

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

TO: Abdul Razzaq Ali Abdul Razzaq Kleibo

*% Hussein Okubo,  
Subh el Bizar,  
Old City, Jerusalem.*

Copy to:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.

*See file 37/27/604/14*

GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICES  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM

No. 37/27/60h.

30 April, 1947.

Sir,  
Madam,  
Gentlemen,

I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47, 48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you/a rental of LB. 30.000 . . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of . . 1260 . . . . . square metres in Block No. 30113 . . . . . Parcel No. 22 . . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

wef 1.4.47

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

F. E. NANN

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

TO: Fatme Abdul Razzaq Kleibo

*To Hussein Aliibo  
Sub el Bizar,  
Old City,  
Jerusalem.*

Copy to:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.

*see file N<sup>o</sup> 37/27/604/14*



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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICES  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM

No. 37/27/604.

30 April, 1947.

~~Sir,~~  
Madam,  
~~Gentlemen,~~

wef 1.4.47 I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47, 48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of LP. 30.000 . . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of 47 . . . . . square metres in Block No. 50113 . . . . . Parcel No. 22 . . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

S. E. HANIN

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT,

TO: Sir *Abdul-Wahab*  
*Through Lawya Abu Saud*  
*40 Muhammad Hussein Su'ud.*  
*Mamilla Rd.,*  
*Jerusalem*

Copy to:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.



## HIRING AGREEMENT No.

An agreement made this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1947  
between Safia bint Ali Qleibo, c/o Hussein Qleibo,  
of Suk el Bizar, Old City, Jerusalem.  
(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the  
District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks, Jerusalem. for the  
period 1st April, 1947 to 31st March, 1948  
determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 9.449 mls

payable by half-yearly instalments, the first instalment being paid  
annual

~~6 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
~~6 months~~

### 2. THE TENANT AGREES:

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

### 3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:

- i) The Tenant may, by giving one month's notice in writing to the Landlord, determine the tenancy hereby granted on any day.
- ii) The Tenant may, during the tenancy, carry out any work on the said land, including the erection of buildings and the installation of fixtures etc. which he may desire.
- iii) The Tenant may at any time remove all or any of the buildings or other structures or materials erected or placed by him upon the land and shall, at the expiration of the tenancy, if so required by the Landlord, restore the said land as nearly as may be to the state in which it was when first hired or pay compensation in lieu of such restoration, PROVIDED ALWAYS that such compensation shall not be greater than the value of the land at the time when possession thereof was first taken, no account being taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to the emergency.
- iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as is agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

### 4. THE LANDLORD AGREES:

- i) That the Tenant performing his obligations hereunder shall peaceably hold and enjoy the aforesaid land during the said term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for him.
- ii) To pay all and discharge all outgoings imposed on the said land or upon the occupier thereof by the Government or any Local Authority.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained the Tenant undertakes for the purposes of Section 2 (2) of the Defence (Exemption from Rates) Regulations, 1943, to bear any increase in rates directly due to the Tenant's occupation.

6. AND IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND DECLARED:

i) That any notice required under this Agreement may be given by registered letter and the parties hereto waive any right to be served with a notarial notice notwithstanding anything contained in the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure.

ii) That any notice dispute whatever between the parties on any matter arising out of this Agreement and the tenancy hereby concluded, shall be referred to a Committee consisting of the Assistant District Commissioner and the District Engineer of the Public Works Department, both of the District in which the land is situated, and a Military Member to be nominated by the Tenant and the decision of the said Committee on such questions shall be absolutely final and binding on both parties.

7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mils
30113	22	50.395	4/640	0.314	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand

this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 194 7


Signed by the Landlord in the presence of



Landlord

Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of



Tenant



Witness

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.



No. 37/27/604 /145

(1)

24 May, 1947

Sir,  
~~Madam,~~  
~~Gentlemen,~~  
~~XXXXXXXX~~

I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47,48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of . . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of . . . . . square metres in Block No. . . . . Parcel No. . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

/w.e.f.  
1.4.47

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant.

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT

Tahel Bey Turajman,  
Hessidoff Building,  
Jaffa Road,  
Jerusalem.

COPY TO:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.

5/MS.

B.U. on 26/6/47.

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(1)  
GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM.

No. 37/27/604

/144

24 May, 1947.

Sir,  
Madam ~~XXXXXX~~  
Gentlemen ~~XXXXXX~~

I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47,48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of . . . . LP 30.- . . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of . . . . 79 . . . . square metres in Block No. . . . 30113 . . . . Parcel No. . . . 22 . . . . being occupied by the War Department.

/w.e.f.l.4.47

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant.

F. E. MANN  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT

TO: Adel Bey Turujman,  
Hessidoff Building,  
Jaffe Road,  
Jerusalem.

COPY TO:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.

36/5

A.M. on 28/6/47



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Hiring No. 1020  
File No. 37/27/604/140

HIRING AGREEMENT No.

An agreement made this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 1947

between Muftieh bint Hassan El Fitiani, o/o Izzat Nuseibeh,  
Damascus Gate, Jerusalem.

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the  
District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks, Jerusalem, for the  
period 1st April, 1947, to 31st March, 1948  
determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 11.790 mils  
payable by half-yearly instalments, ~~the first instalment being paid~~  
~~annual~~

~~3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
~~6 months~~

2. THE TENANT AGREES:

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:

- i) The Tenant may, by giving one month's notice in writing to the Landlord, determine the tenancy hereby granted on any day.
- ii) The Tenant may, during the tenancy, carry out any work on the said land, including the erection of buildings and the installation of fixtures etc. which he may desire.
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iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as is agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

4. THE LANDLORD AGREES:

- i) That the Tenant performing his obligations hereunder shall peaceably hold and enjoy the aforesaid land during the said term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for him.
- ii) To pay all and discharge all outgoings imposed on the said land or upon the occupier thereof by the Government or any Local Authority.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained the Tenant undertakes for the purposes of Section 2 (2) of the Defence (Exemption from Rates) Regulations, 1943, to bear any increase in rates directly due to the Tenant's occupation.



6. AND IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND DECLARED:

i) That any notice required under this Agreement may be given by registered letter and the parties hereto waive any right to be served with a notarial notice notwithstanding anything contained in the Ottoman Code of Civil Procedure.

ii) That any notice dispute whatever between the parties on any matter arising out of this Agreement and the tenancy hereby concluded, shall be referred to a Committee consisting of the Assistant District Commissioner and the District Engineer of the Public Works Department, both of the District in which the land is situated, and a Military Member to be nominated by the Tenant and the decision of the said Committee on such questions shall be absolutely final and binding on both parties.

7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mills
30113	22	50.395	1120/143360	0.393	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand

this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June 194 7

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

Landlord

Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

Tenant

Witness

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.



694  
Hiring No. 1020

File No. 37/27/604/137

## HIRING AGREEMENT NO.

An agreement made this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 1947  
between Fatmah bint Haj Khalil bin Hussein Kesheshibi  
of No 35'12 quarter, Jerusalem  
(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the

District Commissioner of Jerusalem District on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks for the  
period 1st April 1947 to 31st March 1948

determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 4.800 mls  
per annum payable by half-yearly instalments, the first instalment being paid  
annually

3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on  
1st January

### 2. THE TENANT AGREES:

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

### 3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:

i) The Tenant may, by giving one month's notice in writing to the Landlord, determine the tenancy hereby granted on any day.

ii) The Tenant may, during the tenancy, carry out any work on the said land, including the erection of buildings and the installation of fixtures etc. which he may desire.

iii) The Tenant may at any time remove all or any of the buildings or other structures or materials erected or placed by him upon the land and shall, at the expiration of the tenancy, if so required by the Landlord, restore the said land as nearly as may be to the state in which it was when first hired or pay compensation in lieu of such restoration, PROVIDED ALWAYS that such compensation shall not be greater than the value of the land at the time when possession thereof was first taken, no account being taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to the emergency.

iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

### 4. THE LANDLORD AGREES:

i) That the Tenant performing his obligations hereunder shall peaceably hold and enjoy the aforesaid land during the said term without any interruption by the Landlord or any person rightfully claiming under or in trust for him.

ii) To pay all and discharge all outgoings imposed on the said land or upon the occupier thereof by the Government or any Local Authority.

5. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained the Tenant undertakes for the purposes of Section 2 (2) of the Defence (Exemption from Rates) Regulations, 1943, to bear any increase in rates directly due to the Tenant's occupation.

6. AND IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND DECLARED:

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ii) That any notice dispute whatever between the parties on any matter arising out of this Agreement and the tenancy hereby concluded, shall be referred to a Committee consisting of the Assistant District Commissioner and the District Engineer of the Public Works Department, both of the District in which the land is situated, and a Military Member to be nominated by the Tenant and the decision of the said Committee on such questions shall be absolutely final and binding on both parties.

7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mils
30113	22	50.395	456/143360	0.160	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand this 7th day of June 1947

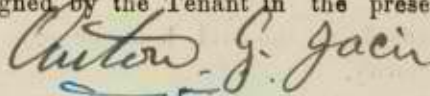
Signed by the Landlord in the presence of



Landlord

Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of





Tenant

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

Witness





Hiring No. 1020  
File No. 37/27/624/132

**HIRING AGREEMENT NO.**



An agreement made this 3rd day of June 1947  
between Hassan Eff. Gleibo, Damascus Gate,  
Jerusalem,

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the  
District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks, Jerusalem. for the  
period 1st April, 1947 to 31st March, 1948  
determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 12.599

payable by half-yearly instalments, ~~the first instalment being paid~~  
~~annually~~  
~~3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
6 months.

**2. THE TENANT AGREES:**

- i) to pay the rent in the manner aforesaid.
- ii) not to assign the tenancy save to Officers of the Government of Palestine or His Majesty's Forces without the written consent of the Landlord previously obtained.

**3. AND IT IS AGREED THAT:**

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- iii) The Tenant may at any time remove all or any of the buildings or other structures or materials erected or placed by him upon the land and shall, at the expiration of the tenancy, if so required by the Landlord, restore the said land as nearly as may be to the state in which it was when first hired or pay compensation in lieu of such restoration, PROVIDED ALWAYS that such compensation shall not be greater than the value of the land at the time when possession thereof was first taken, no account being taken of any appreciation in the value thereof due to the emergency.

iv) Should the Landlord so desire and the Tenant agree, any buildings or other structures may be left intact on the land, the Landlord paying to the Tenant or allowing to him as deductions from any sums due to the Landlord under this Agreement such sum as is agreed to be the value of such work, and such amount shall in case of dispute be determined by an Arbitrator appointed by the parties hereto.

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7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mils
30113	22	50.395	16/1920	0.420	30,000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

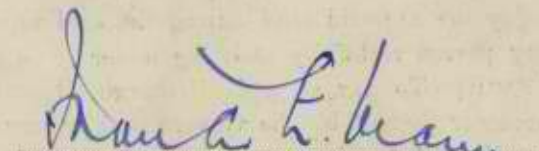
In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hands  
this 3rd day of June 194

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

  
Landlord

  
Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

  
Tenant  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

  
Witness

**HIRING AGREEMENT No.**

An agreement made this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1947  
between Hussein Eff. Qleibo,  
of Buk el Bizar, Old City, Jerusalem.

(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the  
District Commissioner of Jerusalem District. on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the Allenby Barracks, Jerusalem. for the  
period 1st April, 1947, to 31st March, 1948  
determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P 12.599 mls.

payable by half-yearly instalments, the first instalment being paid  
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~~3 months after the commencement of this agreement, namely on~~  
~~6 months~~

**2. THE TENANT AGREES:**

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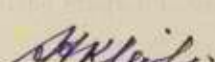
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In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand

this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June 1947

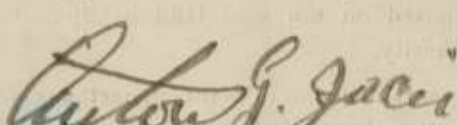
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Landlord

  
Witness

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

  
Tenant

  
Witness

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
J. JUSALIM DISTRICT



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Hiring No. 1020

File No. 37/27/604/147

## HIRING AGREEMENT NO.

An agreement made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 194\_\_\_\_  
between **Ikram Hussein Ragheb El Khalidi**  
of **c/o P.O.B. 1224, Haifa,**  
(hereinafter called the Landlord) of the one part and the

District Commissioner of **Jerusalem District** on behalf of the  
Government of Palestine (hereinafter called the Tenant) of the other part.

1. The Landlord agrees to let the Tenant agrees to hire the land described in the first  
Schedule hereto, situated in the **Allenby Barracks** for the  
period **1st April 1947** to **31st March 1948**

determinable as hereinafter provided, at an annual rent of £P **15.853 mile**  
**per annum** payable by half-yearly instalments, ~~the first instalment being paid~~  
~~on the 1st day of April 1947~~

~~3 months after the execution of this agreement, and every~~  
~~3 months thereafter~~

### 2. THE TENANT AGREES:

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7. THE SCHEDULE

Block No.	Parcel No.	Area (Metric Dns.)	Share	Area of Share M. Dns.	Rental Rate p.a.p.d. in Mils
30113	22	50.395	950/92160	0.519	30000

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have hereunder set their hand this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June 194 7

Signed by the Landlord in the presence of

A. S. Jamin  
Witness

أحمد بن محمد الحارثي  
Landlord  
زوجة عمار جاعوني

Signed by the Tenant in the presence of

Anton G. Jamin  
Witness

Anton G. Jamin  
Tenant  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.



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GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S OFFICES  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT  
JERUSALEM

No. 37/27/604.

30 April, 1947.

Sir,  
Madam,  
Gentlemen,

/ w. e. f.  
1. 4. 47.  
I have the honour to refer to my Notice of Requisition issued under Regulation 47, 48 of the Defence Regulations, 1939, Published in the Palestine Gazette No. 1318 of the 17th of February, 1944, and to offer you a rental of . . . LP. 30,000 . . . per dunum per annum in respect of the land owned by you having an area of . . . 315 . . . square metres in Block No. . . . 30113 . . . Parcel No. . . . 22 being occupied by the War Department.

2. Please let me know within 30 days from the date of this letter whether you accept this offer, so that an agreement may be concluded as soon as possible.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

F. E. MANN

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER  
JERUSALEM DISTRICT.

TO: Asnat Mohamed Abdul Wahab el Khalai.

% Jamal Bey Tukan,  
District Officer  
Jerusalem.

Copy to:- Area Hirings Officer,  
Jerusalem.



COMPENSATION (DEFENCE) ORDINANCE, 1940

Requisition No. 37/27/478 of 8/12/43  
and No. 37/27/175 of 13/4/44.

(N.B) This form should be completed in quadruplicate and all copies sent to the District Commissioner, Jerusalem District, in his capacity as competent authority.

NOTICE OF CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION UNDER SECTION 4(1)(a)(c) AND (d) OF THE ORDINANCE IN RESPECT OF THE TAKING OF POSSESSION OF LAND AND/OR BUILDINGS ON BEHALF OF HIS MAJESTY.

1. Name of Claimant  
Address  
Business or description.
 

Shahinda Bint Muhamed Tewfik Al  
Khalili & Daoud Abdul Wahab el  
Fitiani in his capacity as attorney  
of Husniya Abdul Wahab el Fitiani  
and Tuham bint Muhamed Tewfik el  
Khalili.  
Katamon Quarter, Jerusalem.  
Landlords.
2. Situation area and precise description of the land and/or buildings requisitioned with plan if available. (if agricultural land state how much pasture).
 

		Talpioth Quarter, Jerusalem.			
Block	Parcel	Area	Share		
113	22	50395 M	80/640		
114	19	6750 M	80/640		
Building plots.					

Area of any adjoining land of the claimant of which possession has not been taken: Nil

Buildings or parts of buildings on the land of which possession has not been taken Nil
3. Nature of Interest:
 

If owner-occupier, state date of last known letting and give short particulars thereof: Owners  
This land, forming part of Allenby Barracks, has been leased to the W.D. through the Government since 1935. The last agreements were concluded as follows:-

Block	Parcel	Rental	rate & Period.
113	22	LP 30	3 years from 27/1/41
114	19	LP 20	3 years from 1/1/1940

If tenant, state

  - (a) Landlord's name & address Nil
  - (b) Nature of tenancy or lease Nil
  - (c) Date of tenancy or lease and short particulars and any special covenants etc: Nil
  - (d) How determinable and term unexpired; Nil
  - (e) Rent payable: Nil
4. Where applicable; annual value as assessed under the Urban Property Tax Ordinance (Cap. 147) Nil
5. Particulars of mortgages etc.: LP... 60 000 L.P. padunum Nil
6. Particulars, in the case of agricultural land, of the building giving details in respect of: Nil
  - (a) Things previously done for the purpose of the cultivation of the land and Nil
  - (b) Seeds Nil
  - Tillages Nil
  - Growing crops Nil
  - Unexhausted manures Nil
  - Other similar matters Nil



7. Date possession taken by competent authority:

The Army has been in possession long before the present war, i.e. before the Emergency Regulations were enacted. Requisition Notice was served to take effect, in respect of parcel 22 Block 113, from 7/1/44 in respect of parcel 19 Block 114 from 29/2/44.

8. Particulars of claim, showing how the amount claimed under each of the below mentioned heads is calculated:

We claim the same rental rate p.d.p.a. as has been paid under the tenancy agreements referred to under para. 3 above.

- (a) In respect of compensation under section 4(I)(a)
- (b) In the case of agricultural land the amount payable by an incoming tenant under section 4(I)(c).
- (c) In respect of expenses incurred in complying with directions Section 4(I)(d).

Dated the 2nd day of September 1944.

Signature of Claimant.....  
Name and address of advocate if any.....  
Name and address of surveyor if any.....

د. ق. ح. ق. ح.  
الرواقين من قضاة  
[م. ح.]

ش. ح. ح. ح.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
FOR THE PRESS

JULY 28, 1953

NO. 401

JERUSALEM

Asked about the international repercussions to the transfer of the Israeli Foreign Office from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem and the position of the United States in this regard, Secretary of State John Foster Dulles at his news conference today made the following remarks:

The United States regrets that the Israeli Government has seen fit to move its Foreign Office from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

We have made known our feelings on that subject to the Government of Israel on two prior occasions. It was done in July 1952 and again in March 1953, when our Ambassador, hearing rumors that this was in contemplation, called upon the Israeli Government and requested them not to transfer their Foreign Ministry to Jerusalem.

We feel that way because we believe that it would embarrass the United Nations, which has a primary responsibility for determining the future status of Jerusalem. You may recall that the presently standing United Nations resolution about Jerusalem contemplates that it should be to a large extent at least an international city rather than a purely national city. Also, we feel that this particular action by the Government of Israel at this particular time is inopportune in relation to the tensions which exist in the Near East, tensions which are rather extreme, and that this will add to rather than relax any of these tensions.

The views that I express here are, we know, shared by a considerable number of other governments who have concern with the development of an atmosphere of peace and good will in that part of the world.

We have notified the Government of Israel that we do not intend to move our own Embassy to Jerusalem.

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