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TO: MR. NABEEL SHA'ATH

Dear Mr. Sha'ath,

I hereby acknowledge receipt of your fax dated 29.12.93 problem is that the substance of that fax was totally transformed by second fax of 30.12.93.

It is clear, from our side, that we remain committed, both content and in spirit to the D.O.P. and to the Agreement of Understand that was reached in Cairo and indeed there is purpose to the negotiations if they are to be based on these two basic documents.

It is possible, as agreed between us, to introduce changes of st-both from your side and from ours - into the Cairo Document. However, demands, of which there are no mention in the D.O.P. and which were decided upon in Cairo, cannot serve as a basis for the Taba talks.

We are prepared to renew the Taba discussions at any time. Indexe believe that the various postponements are disadvantageous to execution of the D.O.P. However, during the three meetings we held Sarpsborg, Versailles and Cairo, we reached agreement over the passages people and goods between Jordan and Jericho, and between Egypt and Gaza, well as the parameters of Jerichoand other issues.

These agreements cannot be changed unilaterally.

We suggest holding the Taba negotiations at the earli opportunity, on the basis of the Cairo understanding.

Sincerely

Shimon Peres

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PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION

Cairo January 2,1994

To: Mr. Shimon Peres Minister of Foreign Affairs

Dear Mr. Peres

We would like to assure you of our total commitment to the D.O.P. In its letter, and its spirit. We also feel that the Sarpsborg, Versaille, and Cairo discussions as well as our contacts since, were helpful towards making an agreement as soon as possible to translate the D.O.P. into reality on the ground. Once an agreement is made, it cannot be changed unilaterally. What we have signed we respect to the letter.

We welcome your suggestion to hold the Taba negotiations as early as possible, starting as soon as tomorrow morning, Monday, January 3rd, 1994, on the basis of the D.O.P. and the results of our meetings in Cairo and Sarpsborg.

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