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Re: <u>Decision in an Application for Agricultural Work Permit</u> Manasrah; ID No.

Background

- 1. This appeal concerns the application of the above captioned appellant, to allow him to enter the seam zone for the purpose of farming agricultural land.
- 2. A search of the computerized system of the civil administration indicates that the appellant is 24 years old, a resident of Jenin, married and a father of two children. A security preclusion is currently outstanding against the appellant.
- 3. In the past, the appellant held an entry permit into the seam zone as an infrastructure worker, which was valid between the dates February 6, 2014 May 6, 2014. His last application for a trade and commerce work permit, for the purpose of working in a store owned by his uncle, was denied on November 26, 2014. The following paraphrase was attached to the denial: "due to the relations of your family with Hamas".

The hearing before the committee

- 4. In the hearing which was held before the seam zone appellate committee on February 9, 2015, the appellant was presented with an updated paraphrase in his matter "You are a Hamas activist. Your brother Fu'ad is a Hamas activist having access to weapons. Your brother Nahed is a Hamas activist who has been actively involved in Hamas activities in recent years. The approval of the application poses threat to the security of the area."
- 5. In response, the appellant argued that he maintained weak relations with his brothers. He also added that he "was not responsible for them" and that "each one bears responsibility for his own actions."
- 6. In the hearing the appellant also argued that recently, in the beginning of 2015, he opened a new store in his ownership, and that for said purpose he even rented a place in Barta'ah. A search ran through the system indicated that the appellant had submitted an application for a new permit, based on said reason.

Decision

7. Appellant's allegation that he currently owned a store in the seam zone was verified by the Jenin DCO in its examination of appellant's new application. Considering this new information, security agencies gave their updated position, according to which they no longer opposed appellant's entry into the seam zone.

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- 8. Therefore, I decided that the appellant would be granted an entry permit into the seam zone for trade and commerce purposes, valid for a period of one year. The permit will be delivered to the appellant through the Palestinian coordination office in the Jenin district.
- 9. <u>In conclusion</u>: the appeal is accepted, as specified above.

(Signed)
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