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Deze mail is zojuist verzonden naar de Secretaris Generaal van het MinFin de heer Gerritse met een kopie aan de 2 MinFin mederwerkers en de leden van het SMO bestuur. Met groet, Angelien:

Jerusalem, July 27, 2004

Archief Philip Staal

Dr. Ronald Gerritse

Secretary General of the Ministry of Finance

Den Haag

The Netherlands

Re: SMO vs. SCMI; note of Mr. Robby Israels dd.16.07.2004

Dear Dr Gerritse,

At the last plenary meeting of SCMI, Sunday a week ago, we discussed the future relationship with SMO, in view of recent developments. Most members wanted to show goodwill and give in to some of the arrangements that we actually did not like very much. The reasoning was that we wanted to close the SMO-SCMI chapter as soon as possible and in good order. One of the undersigned (AD) was the one who warned the members that SMO may have some last minute tricks up their sleeves. Little did we know!

Today we received by email a copy of the attached note by Mr. Robbie Israels and here we go again. His last communication a few months ago to us was called "Indianen verhalen", basically telling us how we distorted the truth in our dealings here in Israel and with the SMO, whereas he himself in that letter was quite beyond the real facts. Worse were the tone of that letter and the use of "Indianen verhalen" from a board member of the SMO, employed by the Dutch government.

We do not intend here to go into the partly true and partly distorted data in Mr. Israels present short note. Others will react to the facts. The major point is obviously that Mr. Israels uses his letter to again boycott a peaceful conclusion of our deliberations. He uses the "stok achter de deur" as the expression goes. This is exactly the last thing we need from the SMO or anybody else.

Mr. Israels has done everything to make life here for us difficult, when things could have been smoothedout (or schmoozed-out!). This is indeed something that can not longer be tolerated and at the same time casts a shadow on your office and your own efforts to straighten things out and bring to an acceptable solution.

It is quite a coincidence that Mr. Israels's note reached us on the saddest day in the Jewish calendar, the ninth of the month Av (Tisha beAv) a 25-26 hours fast recalling among others the reasons that did underlie the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem ages ago (hate, misunderstanding and destruction between Jewish groups).

We would appreciate if you could call Mr. Israels to order and prevent him from escalating the SCMI-SMO relationship. I am quite sure that you and the minister, just as all members of the SCMI want exactly the opposite! SMO has long enough misjudged and misused its authority. This should be brought to an end.

With kind personal regards,

Yours Sincerely,

Ilana Braaf-Snir, Advocate

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