TRUCE SUPERVISION ORGANIZATION Jerusalem , 29 anuary 1954

Dear Dr. Eytan.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 28 January 1954 in which you communicated to me an excerpt from the decision taken by the Israel Government on 24 January regarding the Benot-Yaacov canal project.

You have also conveyed to me in ennformity with this decision an invitation from the Minister for Boreign Affairs to discuss with him the question of the preservation of legitimate prifate right and of the obligations which the Government of Israel should assume in this connection.

Since the information I have received to date from New York does not indicate that the Security Council has concluded its consideration of the matter, I should like to suggest that an exchange of views between the Government of Israel and me on the results of the debate in the Security Council might take place after the debate is terminated and I have received and studied the latest records of the Council.

Yours sincerely,

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