

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

**Re: Artistic - Economic Concept Advanced by
Artists Muriel SELTZER - LEJEUNE
and Jean-Luc MEYER - ABBATUCCI**

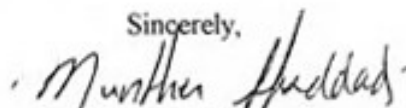
On Thursday 8 August 1996, I met in Amman, Jordan with artists Muriel SELTZER - LEJEUNE and her colleague Jean-Luc MEYER - ABBATUCCI. They were introduced to me by Mr. Michael Hamarneh, Director of the Office of His Royal Highness the Crown Prince of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

The two artists explained to me an attractive concept of creating a triangular green area in the desert on the borders between Jordan and Israel along the Continental Great Rift. The green area would more produce Jojoba, and will be a co-operative project between Jordan and Israel. Their philosophy on the linkages between man and art is particularly attractive.

I thought the concept can be translated into creative ideas and a project of positive social, economic, environmental and political returns. I advised them that the ideal location that blends in with their concept is along the Jordan - Israel borders west of the Risha divide: the divide that forms the boundary in Wadi Araba between the Dead Sea catchment and the Red Sea catchment.

I wish them every success in their attempts to realize such a visionary project, and stand ready to assist in any capacity that I can.

Sincerely,



Dr. Munther J Haddadin
Peace Negotiator

Delegation of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan



The Royal Palace,
Amman, Jordan

13 August, 1996

Madame Muriel Le Jeune and
M. Jean Luc Merger Abbacucci

Dear Mme. Le Jeune and M. Merger Abbacucci

It was indeed a pleasure to meet with you in Amman to discuss your most interesting project, a project which I am sure would contribute to peace in the area and to the life of future generations, especially in areas as arid as the Wadi Araba.

I look forward to receiving further information from you concerning the project. I understand that you will be submitting a feasibility study to Dr. Dureid Mahasneh whom you saw yesterday.


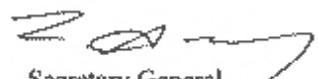
Please keep me informed of progress made and I wish you luck with your future endeavours.

Kindest regards.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michel Harmaneh".

Michel Harmaneh
Director

THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN Ministry Of Water & Irrigation Jordan Valley Authority	<p>بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ</p> 	المملكة الأردنية الهاشمية وزارة المياه والري سلطة وادي الأردن	
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→ Madame Muriel LEJEUNE and Jean-luc MEYER-ABBATUCCI			
We have met in Amman on the 11 th of august 1996, to discuss your project of creating an art form by covering a part the WADI ARABA with plant, on the border between Jordan and Israel.			
Your project is an attractive idea which can contribute to very positive returns, it must though take the shortage of water in Jordan in consideration.			
I recommend that you present a preliminary study of feasibility, for purpose of going further in our discussion, and propose that you meet Mr Ali ADWAN an agronomic engineer based in AQABA who will give you further information concerning the area.			
I look forward to hearing from you.			
Yours sincerely			
 Secretary General Dr. Duried Mahasneh			
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Jerusalem, 26 November 1996

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Dear Muriel & Jean-Luc,

Thank you for your fax of the 24th November 1996, in connection with the "Arava Valley Peace Symbol from the Space," project between Israel and Jordan. Keren Kayemeth Leisrael will be happy to participate in the creation of this project. As discussed in our meeting, we have several ideas how to implement this joint project and our planning team will be available to assist in finding a creative and artistic way of implementing the project.

There are several issues which still need to be discussed in connection with the planning of this project.

1. Establishing a steering committee made up from all parties involved.
2. Acquiring permits from Israel & Jordan, for the allocation of land.
3. Budgeting the project and finding sources for its implementation.

The concept of a Peace Park has been planned by KKL's Land Development Authority and presented to officials in Israel. The "Arava Valley Peace Symbol from the Space," could be a part of it.

Yours sincerely,


Natan Sas
Director, KKL Projects Division

cc: Mr. M. Rivlin - World Chairman, KKL
Mr. Y. Eliashiv - General Manager, KKL
Mr. D. Nachmias - Director, Land Development Authority, KKL
Mr. Z. Avni - Manager, Southern Region, KKL



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Re: Global Art Work in Wadi Araba by

Madame Muriel LE JEUNE
Monsieur Jean-Luc MEYER-ABBATUCCI


The above named artists visited the offices of Aqaba Region Authority on Dec.17,1996 and I had the pleasure of listening to their presentation concerning a proposal to do an art form in Wadi Araba in a border location to symbolize the peace treaty between the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan and the State of Israel. The art form is to consist of a plantation of trees in an area that would be large and wide enough to be recognizable and photographable by satellites.

The idea is attractive and novel. However it would require further clarification on the actual dimensions of the land needed for this project, the planted area, immediate and longterm water requirements, arrangements for maintenance and operation, and so on.

They were advised to visit the Peace Park that we planted on Jan 15,1995 next to the spot where the peace treaty was signed.

The Peace Park may give them some ideas about the suitability of some of the trees planted in the area and also about establishment cost and cost of operations. It covers an area of 250,000 square meters (25 hectares). Treated municipal sewage effluent is used to irrigate the trees.

The Aqaba Region Authority is willing to assist M. MEYER-ABBATUCCI and his colleague Mme. LEJEUNE to identify suitable sites for such a project and to develop a plan of action in light of the needed clarifications mentioned earlier. In the meantime, we wish them success in their endeavor.

Sincerely

Prof. Fayez E. Khasawneh
President and Chairman of the Board
Aqaba Region Authority

Dec.18,1996