AGREEMENT BETWEEN LEIUTENANT GENERAL ANTE ROSO, HVO COMMANDER AND BRIGADIER GENERAL JG REITH, CBE, BRITISH FORCES COMMANDER REACHED AT THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 1993 IN TOMISLAVGRAD

Purpose of the meeting

1. The purpose of the meeting in Tomislavgrad was to discuss the re-establishment of supplies of humanitarian aid to Central Bosnia.

Points agreed

2. The following was agreed:

   a. Even though General Roso and Brigadier Reith have different missions, there are no significant conflicts of interest regarding keeping the roads open.

   b. They will exchange liaison officers. From Monday 22 November 1993, Captain Eaton, UKLO, will be placed in HVO HQ, in Posušje, and will be under HVO command. General Roso agreed to send a liaison officer to the British Forces HQ in Tomislavgrad, where he will stay as long as required. He will be under the British Squadron command.

   c. The British Military Police will be placed alongside the HVO Military Police on the roads used by convoys at the following locations:
      (1) Checkpoint by LIPA
      (2) Checkpoint next to the VARVARA quarry.

   d. Brigadier Reith will supply a map with marked routes which will be used by the UNHCR and other UNHCR-accredited humanitarian organisations to supply humanitarian aid. He also agreed that they will maintain and clear the road from the LIPA checkpoint to the VARVARA quarry checkpoint as much as possible, under the condition that the UNHCR and other UNHCR-accredited humanitarian agencies are guaranteed free passage.

   e. BRITFOR will provide information on convoys that will use the routes, as well as details on the time of movement and types of vehicles in the convoy, to the HVO HQ in POSUŠJE.

   f. UNHCR convoys will not transport military equipment and weapons, but UNPROFOR vehicles which are used to supply armed forces may continue working as normal.

   g. In accordance with the orders that he received, General Roso guarantees free movement to all UNHCR and UNPROFOR convoys, and personally guarantees the safety of all convoys that pass through areas under his control.

   h. It was agreed that General Roso will need some time to make his orders clear and for them to start being implemented at the lowest levels of his command, while BRITFOR will start clearing the road between LIPA and VARVARA tomorrow, Tuesday 23 November 1993. The first convoy will leave Tomislavgrad on Wednesday 24 November 1993, at 0630hrs.

   i. The first convoy which will test the accessibility of the route will be a British forces convoy with army vehicles driven by British drivers, and will transport humanitarian aid.
j. Brigadier Reith could not agree to a helicopter protection for the convoys, as movement of helicopters within Central Bosnia is under strict control from the air operation centre in the UNPROFOR HQ in KISELJAK. It was decided that General Roso should contact General Briquemont if he wants to discuss this issue further. Brigadier Reith said that the use of HVO helicopters for the above task would be in violation of UN Resolution number 783 (dated 10 Nov 1992) and number 816 (dated 31 March 1993), which would place the helicopters at risk.

WITNESSES

3. We, the undersigned, will do whatever is in our power that the points agreed in this document are completely fulfilled.

Lieutenant General Ante Roso
HVO Commander in Chief
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Brigadier General JG Reith, CBE
British Forces Commander
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