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Date: March 5, 2015
In your response please note: 59759

To
Mr. Nir Barkat
Mayor of Jerusalem
1 Safra Square
Jerusalem

By Fax
and by Registered Mail

Urgent!

Dear Sir,

Re: **Absence of Parking Meters (for the collection of parking fees) in the streets of East Jerusalem**

1. It is hereby requested that the municipality of Jerusalem will immediately install parking meters – for the collection of parking fees and for the issue of parking vouchers – in the streets of East Jerusalem. Until the machines are installed, we request to direct the municipal inspectors not to issue parking tickets to vehicles which park lawfully (in blue & white spaces).
2. HaMoked: Center for the Defence of the Individual is a human rights association engaged in the promotion and protection of the rights of Palestinians, residents of East Jerusalem.
3. Recently we have received complaints according to which the municipality of Jerusalem did not install parking meters in paid-parking areas in the streets of East Jerusalem, with the exception of one meter near the Postal Authority in Salah a-Din Street – which applies to a limited area only.
4. In addition, the municipality has recently decided to cancel the manual parking vouchers which were sold until now in the various shops around the city. Consequently, drivers who wish to park their cars on the street must use "Easypark" or a cellular parking application such as "Pango". Many East Jerusalem residents cannot afford these payment options. In addition, these measures were intended to offer residents **additional** parking payment alternatives, rather than cancelling the possibility to make payment by parking meters.



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5. It should be noted that when a parking meter does not operate in Western Jerusalem, the municipal inspectors refrain from issuing parking tickets until the meter is repaired. However, in this case, despite the absence of parking meters, tickets are sweepingly issued by the municipal inspectors.
6. In view of the above, we request:
 - a. To install parking meters in the streets of East Jerusalem.
 - b. To immediately instruct the municipal inspectors to refrain from issuing parking tickets in streets where no parking meters are installed throughout the city.
7. Your prompt attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Abir Jubran-Dakawar,
Advocate