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BY MESSENGER
Ms. Sheri Pruitt
Secretariat, Board of Zoning Adjustment
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441 4th Street, N.W., Suite 210
Washington, D.C. 20001

Re: Embassy of the Republic of Azerbaijan; 2741 34th Street, N.W.

Dear Ms. Pruitt:

Your assistance in processing the enclosed application on behalf of the Embassy of the Republic of Azerbaijan to locate its chancery at 2741 34th Street, N.W. is requested. This application is essentially identical to Application No. 16589 which was filed with the FMBZA on April 1, 2000, and then subsequently withdrawn on June 29, 2000 to allow additional time to implement the U. S. Azerbaijani agreement.

As we indicated in our correspondence requesting a withdrawal of the application, the withdrawal was really in the nature of a continuance. However, the granting of a continuance by the FMBZA was precluded by the Foreign Missions Act and the BZA rules which require the BZA to make a decision on a chancery application within six (6) months of the filing an application. Since continuances are routinely granted by the BZA in non-chancery applications without a requirement to pay a new filing fee or other additional, administrative fees to the BZA, we are requesting that the FMBZA waive any requirement to pay an additional filing fee in this case.

Thank you for your continued assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Cynthia A. Giordano

cc: Ambassador Pashayev
Roland Mlotek

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