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MEMORANDUM

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DATE: Tishri 29, 5722
October 9, 1961

TO: Mr. A. D. Jhirad

FROM: Dr. Samson R. Weiss

SUBJECT: Addition to Old Cemetary

Concerning your inquiry about the use of the old cemetary for additional graves, please be informed that Rabbi Lamm discussed this matter with the appropriate Halachic authorities who agreed with him on the following ruling:

You state that the average height of the coffin is 15 to 18 inches. Therefore, the same height of additional earth must be placed on top of the old cemetary. Then, new graves may be placed on this cemetary by virtue of this additional layer of soil.

cc: Rabbi Norman Lamm