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The Court of Appeal of Versailles confirms the jurisdiction of the Tribunal of Nanterre regarding the legal claim brought by AFPS against Véolia transport, Alstom and Alstom transport regarding the construction and operation of a light railway in East Jerusalem

Following the admissibility ruling handed down on the 15th of April 2009 by the High Court of Nanterre, accepting jurisdiction over the claims commenced by AFPS against Véolia Transport, Alstom et Alstom Transport (see AFPS press release of the 2nd of December 2009: <http://www.france-palestine.org/article13420.html>), The Alstom et Alstom Transport companies contested this ruling in front of the Court of Appeal of Versailles by asking for the invalidation of the ruling of the Court of Nanterre.

The court of Appeal of Versailles handed down its ruling on the 17th of December 2009.

The decision follows the line of arguments of our lawyers and satisfies us. The Court of Appeal of Versailles confirms the ruling of the High Court Nanterre regarding its jurisdiction on the case.

Thus, the case should come back to the High Court of Nanterre which will judge at last the substance of the case as soon as possible.

AFPS will publicize further useful information on the continuation of the proceedings.

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