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PLACE: Arbaoua Section
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Frontier Guard System

RELAXATION OF FRONTIER CONTROLS IN THE VICINITY OF SOUK EL ARBA

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all the dirt roads leading to the frontier which branch off from this road.

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