



**UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL  
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Case No. 2010-140

**Appellant**

**v.**

**Secretary-General of the United Nations  
(Respondent)**

**ORDER**

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Before:	Judge Inés Weinberg de Roca, Duty Judge
Order No.:	25 (2010)
Date:	16 November 2010
Registrar:	Weicheng Lin

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Counsel for Respondent: Jay Pozenel

**SECRETARY-GENERAL'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION TO FILE AN ANSWER**

1. On 20 August 2010, the United Nations Dispute Tribunal issued Judgment No. 2010/148 in respect of the application by the Appellant. The Appellant appealed that judgment on 3 October 2010. The appeal was forwarded to the Secretary-General on 4 October. The deadline for answer is thus 18 November 2010.
2. Under cover of an email dated 15 November 2010, the Secretary-General requests extension of the time limit to file an answer for 15 calendar days to 3 December 2010. He explains that the legal officer representing him in the present case had to unexpectedly return to her home country to attend to a family emergency.
3. Under Article 30 of the Rules of Procedure of the Appeals Tribunal, "the President or the panel hearing a case may shorten or extend a time limit fixed by the rules of procedure or waive any rule when the interests of justice so require".
4. I have considered the Secretary-General's request. Given the unexpected absence of the legal officer I find it reasonable for him to request a 15-day extension. I therefore decide to grant the request.

**ORDER**

5. For the foregoing reasons, I decide to grant the Secretary-General's request for extension of 15 calendar days until 3 December 2010 for filing an Answer. I further order the Secretary-General to attach a copy of this Order to his Answer, if any.

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of November 2010 in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

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*(Signed)*  
Judge Weinberg de Roca,  
Duty Judge

Entered in the Register on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2010 in New York, United States.

*(Signed)*  
Weicheng Lin, Registrar