

## UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL D'APPEL DES NATIONS UNIES

Case No. 2011-235

Mbatha (Appellant)

v.

Secretary-General of the United Nations (Respondent)

## ORDER No. 56 (2011)

1. On 1 June 2011, the United Nations Dispute Tribunal (Dispute Tribunal or UNDT) issued Judgment No. UNDT/2011/096 in the case of *Mbatha v. Secretary-General of the United Nations*. Pursuant to Article 7(1)(c) of the Statute of the Appeals Tribunal (Statute), an appeal must be filed within 45 days of the receipt of the judgment of the Dispute Tribunal. Accordingly, the time limit for filing an appeal in this case expired on 16 July 2011.

3. On 16 July 2011, Stephen Mbatha (Mbatha) filed a request for a 3-months extension of time to file his appeal on medical grounds. He attaches a 29 March 2011 medical report to his request.

4. I have considered Mbatha's request but do not believe that his request constitutes an exceptional case warranting a 3-months extension of the time limit as provided for by our Statute.

5. For the foregoing reason, I partially grant Mbatha's request and order that his appeal, if any, is due one week from the issuance of this Order by 3 August 2011.

Original and Authoritative Version: English(Signed)Dated this 26th day of July 2011 in Buenos Aires,<br/>Argentina.(Signed)Judge Weinberg de Roca, Duty Judge

Entered in the Register on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 2011 in New York, United States. (*Signed*) Weicheng Lin, Registrar