



UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL D'APPEL DES NATIONS UNIES

Case No. 2011-278

Ghatalia (Appellant)

v.

**Commissioner-General of the
United Nations Relief and Works Agency for
Palestine Refugees in the Near East
(Respondent)**

ORDER No. 87 (2012)

1. On 17 November 2011, Mr. Nanak S. Ghatalia filed an appeal against Order No. 002 (UNRWA DT 2011), issued by the Dispute Tribunal of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA DT and UNRWA, respectively) on 12 October 2011 in the case of the *Ghatalia v. Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East*. The Commissioner-General of UNRWA (Commissioner-General) filed an answer to the appeal on 20 January 2012.

2. On 15 February 2012, Mr. Ghatalia filed a motion seeking leave to file additional pleadings (Motion). The Commissioner-General filed an answer to the Motion on 27 February 2012, requesting that the United Nations Appeals Tribunal (Appeals Tribunal) dismiss the Motion.

3. Articles 8 and 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the Appeals Tribunal (Rules) provide for an appellant to submit an appeal form accompanied by a brief, and for a respondent to submit an answer form accompanied by a brief.

4. Under Article 31(1) of the Rules and Section II.A.3 of Practice Direction No. 1 of the Appeals Tribunal, the Appeals Tribunal may allow a motion requesting leave to file additional pleadings after the filing of the answer to the appeal if there are exceptional circumstances justifying the motion.

5. Mr. Ghatalia's additional pleadings repeat or supplement arguments already made in his appeal and also serve as a rejoinder to the Commissioner-General's answer to his appeal. The matters that Mr. Ghatalia seeks to address in his Motion do not demonstrate any exceptional circumstances justifying the need to file additional pleadings.

6. Mr. Ghatalia's Motion is denied and his additional pleadings will not be included as part of the case file.

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Dated this 14th day of May 2012¹ in Paris, France.

(Signed)
Judge Courtial, Duty Judge

Entered in the Register on this 14th day of May
2012 in New York, United States.

(Signed)
Weicheng Lin, Registrar

¹ Reissued to rectify clerical error. The Order was initially issued on 4 May 2012.