



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

Case No. 2014-680

**James**  
**(Applicant)**

**v.**

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

## **ORDER No. 212 (2015)**

1. On 25 November 2014, Mr. Mike James filed an appeal against a Judgment on Receivability, Judgment No. UNDT/2014/135 in the case of *James v. the Secretary-General of the United Nations*, dated 19 November 2014. On 26 January 2015, the Secretary-General filed his answer. On 30 January 2015, Mr. James filed a "Motion for Leave to File a Response to the Respondent's Answer" and on 5 February 2015, the Secretary-General filed his observations.

2. The Appeals Tribunal has previously held that, under Article 31(1) of its Rules of Procedure and Section II.A.3 of its Practice Direction No. 1, 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.

3. The Appeals Tribunal finds that Mr. James is merely reiterating the arguments that were included in his appeal. As he has not demonstrated the existence of exceptional circumstances justifying the need to file an additional submission, I dismiss Mr. James' motion.

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Dated 25<sup>th</sup> day of February 2015  
in New York, United States.

Entered in the Register on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of  
February 2015 in New York, United States.

*(Signed)*  
Judge Richard Lussick,  
President

*(Signed)*  
Weicheng Lin, Registrar