UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL D'APPEL DES NATIONS UNIES

Case No. 2015-691

Namrouti

(Appellant)

v.

Commissioner-General
of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency
for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
(Respondent)
ORDER No. 216 (2015)

APPELLANT'S REQUEST FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT

- 1. On 21 January 2015, Mr. Shadi Namrouti filed an appeal with the United Nations Appeals Tribunal (Appeals Tribunal) against Judgment No. UNRWA/DT/2014/045 rendered by the Dispute Tribunal of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA).
- 2. On 26 January 2015, the appeal was served on the Commissioner-General of UNRWA and, on 27 March 2015, the Commissioner-General of UNRWA filed his answer.
- 3. On 29 March 2015, the Appellant filed the present "Motion for a Default Judgment" in which he requests this Tribunal to reject the answer filed by the Commissioner-General, which he alleges is filed one day beyond the permissible filing limits, and proceed with hearing the matter without the participation of the Commissioner-General.
- 4. On 10 April 2015, the Commissioner-General filed his comments on the motion.
- 5. Article 9(3) of the Rules of Procedure of the Appeals Tribunal (Rules) provides that an answer to an appeal "shall be submitted [...] within 60 days of the date on which the respondent received the appeal transmitted by the Registrar".

6. Article 29 of the Rules governs the calculation of time limits. It provides that "[t]he time limits prescribed in the [Rules] [r]efer to calendar days, but shall not include the day of the event from which the period runs".

7. Having reviewed the filing dates in the present case, I am satisfied that the Commissioner-General has complied with the requirements of Article 9(3) of the Rules in that he filed his answer to the Appellant's appeal on the sixtieth day from the date on which he received the Appellant's appeal from the Registrar. Being so satisfied, I dismiss Mr. Namrouti's motion.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Mr. Namrouti's motion IS DISMISSED.

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Dated this 29th day of April 2015 in London, United Kingdom.

(Signed)
Judge Richard Lussick, President

Entered in the Register on this 29th day of April 2015 in New York, United States.

(*Signed*)
Weicheng Lin, Registrar