



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

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Case No. 2017-1107

**Kawamleh**

**(Applicant)**

**v.**

**Commissioner-General**

**of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency**

**for Palestine Refugees in the Near East**

**(Respondent)**

**Order No. 303 (2017)**

1. On 19 June 2017, the Dispute Tribunal of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA DT and UNRWA, respectively) issued Judgment No. UNRWA/DT/2017/026 in the case of *Kawamleh v. Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East*.
2. On 18 August 2017, Mr. Mohammad Fayez Kawamleh appealed the UNDT Judgment to the United Nations Appeals Tribunal (Appeals Tribunal) and the Commissioner-General filed his answer on 18 October 2017.
3. On 2 November 2017, Mr. Kawamleh filed a motion seeking leave to file additional pleadings in response to the Commissioner-General's answer to his appeal. On 10 November 2017, the Commissioner-General filed his response opposing the motion.
4. Under the Appeals Tribunal Statute, Mr. Kawamleh is not entitled to file a response to the answer to his appeal. Article 31(1) of the Rules of Procedure and Section II.A.3 of Practice Direction No. 1 allow the Appeals Tribunal to permit a party to file additional pleadings after the filing of the answer if there are exceptional circumstances for

doing so.<sup>1</sup> However, Mr. Kawamleh has not demonstrated the existence of exceptional circumstances; he merely seeks to supplement his appeal. Thus, Mr. Kawamleh's motion for leave to file additional pleadings is denied.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Mr. Kawamleh's motion **IS DENIED**.

**IT IS ALSO ORDERED** that the Registrar shall not include the motion as well as the Secretary-General's response thereto in the case file.

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Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December 2017  
in Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago.

*(Signed)*  
Deborah Thomas-Felix  
President

Entered in the Register on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of  
December 2017 in New York, United States.

*(Signed)*  
Weicheng Lin, Registrar

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<sup>1</sup> *Wu v. Secretary-General of the United Nations*, Order No. 225 (2015).