

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

Case No. 2018-1155

Gnassou

(Appellant)

v.

Secretary-General of the United Nations (Respondent)

**ORDER No. 319 (2018)** 

1. On 29 January 2018, the United Nations Dispute Tribunal in Nairobi issued Judgment No. UNDT/2018/010, in the case of *Gnassou v. Secretary-General of the United Nations*, dismissing an application filed by Ms. Laure Gnassou.

2. By Order No. 313 (2018) issued on 14 March 2018, I granted Ms. Gnassou's motion for extension of time limit, permitting her to file an appeal against Judgment No. UNDT/2018/010 by 30 April 2018. Ms. Gnassou filed the appeal on 30 April 2018. On 2 May, her appeal was transmitted to the Secretary-General for an answer.

3. Considering that the deadline for the Secretary-General's answer to Ms. Gnassou's appeal falls on 2 July, and this case has been placed on the docket for the 2018 Summer Session to start on 18 June 2018, it is in the interests of justice according to Article 30 of the Appeals Tribunal Rules of Procedure (Rules) to order *mero motu* that the 60-day time limit for the Secretary-General to file his answer to Ms. Gnassou's appeal provided by Article 9(3) of the Rules be shortened from 60 calendar days to 40 calendar days from the date of this Order so that this matter is fully briefed in time for consideration by the Appeals Tribunal during the 2018 Summer Session.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Secretary-General's answer to Ms. Gnassou's appeal, if any, should be submitted no later than 12 June 2018.

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Dated 4<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018 in Cape Town, South Africa. *(Signed)* Judge John Murphy, President

Entered in the Register on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May 2018 in New York, United States. (*Signed*) Weicheng Lin, Registrar