



UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL D'APPEL DES NATIONS UNIES

Case No. 2018-1193

Belkhabbaz
(Respondent/Applicant)

v.

Secretary-General of the United Nations
(Appellant/Respondent)

Order No. 332 (2018)

1. On 5 February 2018, the United Nations Dispute Tribunal (Dispute Tribunal) in Geneva issued Judgment No. UNDT/2018/016/Corr.1 in the case of *Belkhabbaz v. Secretary-General of the United Nations* (Belkhabbaz One).
2. On 6 April 2018, the Secretary-General filed an appeal of Judgment No. UNDT/2018/016/Corr.1 to the United Nations Appeals Tribunal (Appeals Tribunal), and on 8 June 2018, Ms. Belkhabbaz filed an answer to the appeal (Case No. 2018-1165). By Order No. 326 (2018) issued on 29 June 2018, I granted Ms. Belkhabbaz's motion for expedited consideration of her appeal and Case No. 2018-1165 has accordingly been placed on the docket for the 2018 Fall Session, scheduled to take place from 15 October 2018 to 26 October 2018.
3. On 27 June 2018, the Dispute Tribunal in Geneva issued Judgment No. UNDT/2018/071 in the case of *Belkhabbaz v. Secretary-General of the United Nations* (Belkhabbaz Two). On 27 August 2018, the Secretary-General filed an appeal of the Judgment to the Appeals Tribunal. On 28 August 2018, his appeal was transmitted to Ms. Belkhabbaz for an answer, which is due on 29 October 2018.
4. I have reviewed the case files for Belkhabbaz One and Belkhabbaz Two and find them factually related. I have therefore decided to advance the hearing of Belkhabbaz Two to the 2018 Fall Session so that Belkhabbaz One and Belkhabbaz Two may be considered

by the same panel. I have also decided to issue an order *mero motu* that the 60-day time limit for Ms. Belkhabbaz to file her answer to the Secretary-General's appeal, provided by Article 9(3) of our Rules of Procedure (Rules), be shortened by 27 days so that this matter is fully briefed in time for consideration by the Appeals Tribunal during the 2018 Fall Session. This Order is made pursuant to Article 18*bis*(1) of the Rules.

In the premises, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Registry shall place Belkhabbaz Two on the docket for consideration at the 2018 Fall Session. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that Ms. Belkhabbaz's answer to the Secretary-General's appeal, if any, should be submitted no later than 1 October 2018.

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Dated this 8th day of September 2018
in Cape Town, South Africa.

(Signed)
John Murphy,
President

Entered in the Register on this 10th day of
September 2018 in New York, United States.

(Signed)
Weicheng Lin, Registrar