



UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL D'APPEL DES NATIONS UNIES

Case No. 2021-1553

Purificación Tola Satué
(Appellant)
v.
President of
the International Fund for Agricultural Development
(Respondent)

ORDER No. 426 (2021)

1. On 7 December 2020, Ms. Purificación Tola Satué (Appellant) submitted an appeal to the Joint Appeals Board (JAB) of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) (Respondent) contesting the decision to adopt a Performance Improvement Plan (PIP). IFAD subsequently submitted a motion to dismiss the appeal claiming that the adoption of a PIP did not amount to an appealable administrative decision. On 4 February 2021, the JAB granted IFAD's motion and declared the appeal not receivable.
2. On 4 May 2021, Ms. Tola Satué filed an appeal of the JAB decision with the United Nations Appeals Tribunal. Her appeal was registered as Case No. 2021-1553. On 6 May 2021, the appeal was transmitted to the Respondent for an answer, due within 60 days, i.e. by close of business on 5 July 2021.
3. On 25 August 2021, the Appellant filed a motion seeking withdrawal of appeal.
4. The Appeals Tribunal has consistently held that “a party may withdraw an appeal simply by giving notice and need not necessarily provide any further justification”.¹

¹ See *Kusuma v. Secretary-General of the United Nations*, Order No. 211 (2015), quoting *Amar v. Secretary-General of the United Nations*, Order No. 73 (2011), and cites therein.

5. The Motion for withdrawal of Ms. Tola Satué is **GRANTED** and the case shall be closed.

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Dated this 22nd day of September 2021
in Brussels, Belgium.

(Signed)
Judge Jean-François Neven,
Presiding

Entered in the Register on this 23rd day
of September 2021 in New York, United States.

(Signed)
Weicheng Lin, Registrar