

UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL D'APPEL DES NATIONS UNIES

Case Nos. 2024-1955 & 2024-1958

Esraa Samih Aljuju and Eman Saqer Abualainain

(Appellants)

v.

Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

(Respondent)

ORDER No. 597 (2025)

1. On 20 December 2022, Ms. Aluju filed an application with the Dispute Tribunal of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA DT or Dispute Tribunal), challenging the decision to retitle her post and not reclassify the post to a higher grade.

2. On 19 January 2023, Ms. Abualainain also filed an application with the UNRWA DT in which she challenged the decision to retitle her post, not reclassify the post to a higher grade and associated title and not provide sufficient staffing support to her post.

3. The UNRWA DT determined that both applications concerned common issues of law and fact and consolidated the two cases for decision in one judgment.

4. On 29 August 2024, the UNRWA DT issued Judgment No. UNRWA/DT/2024/026, *Aljuju and Abu Alinin v. Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East* (impugned Judgment).

2. On 27 October 2024, Ms. Aljuju filed an appeal of the impugned Judgment with the United Nations Appeals Tribunal (UNAT or Appeals Tribunal). This appeal was registered as Case No. 2024-1955.

3. On 27 October 2024, Ms. Abualainain also filed an appeal of the impugned Judgment with the UNAT, and this appeal was registered as Case No. 2024-1958.

4. On 6 January 2025, the Commissioner-General filed his answers to both appeals.

5. Pursuant to Article 18*bis*(1) of the Appeals Tribunal Rules of Procedure, "[t]he President may, at any time, either on a motion of a party or on his or her own volition, issue any order which appears to be appropriate for the fair and expeditious management of the case and to do justice to the parties".

6. Since both Case No. 2024-1955 and Case No. 2024-1958 arise from the same impugned UNRWA DT Judgment, I direct that these cases be consolidated for hearing and judgment by the Appeals Tribunal.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the appeals filed in Case Nos. 2024-1955 and 2024-1958 be consolidated for all purposes.

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Decision dated this 9th day of April 2025 in Beirut, Lebanon. *(Signed)* Judge Nassib G. Ziadé, President

Order published and entered in the Register on this 9th day of April 2025 in New York, United States.

(*Signed*) Juliet E. Johnson, Registrar