



**Before:** Judge Teresa Bravo  
**Registry:** Geneva  
**Registrar:** René M. Vargas M.

KAPTIJN

v.

REGISTRAR OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE

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**ORDER ON FURTHER  
SUSPENSION OF PROCEEDINGS**

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**Counsel for Applicant:**

Geoffrey Roberts

**Counsel for Respondent:**

Jean-Pelé Fométéé, Deputy-Registrar, ICJ

## **Introduction**

1. By application filed on 15 January 2021 and registered under Case No. UNDT/GVA/2021/005, the Applicant, a former staff member of the International Court of Justice (“ICJ”), contests the implied decision not to grant him compensation for harassment.
2. On 18 February 2021, the Respondent filed his reply.
3. By Order No. 131 (GVA/2021) of 30 July 2021, the parties were called to a case management discussion (“CMD”), which took place on 18 August 2021. During the CMD, the parties agreed to resume the mediation process with a view to informally resolving the dispute.
4. By Order No. 134 (GVA/2021) of 19 August 2021, the Tribunal ordered that the proceedings in Case No. UNDT/GVA/2021/005 be suspended during the mediation process until 18 November 2021.
5. Upon the parties’ requests dated 16 November 2021 and 13 December 2021, the Tribunal ordered that the proceedings be suspended during the mediation process until 17 March 2022.
6. On 10 March 2022, the parties filed a joint motion for extension of time for mediation until 10 June 2022.

## **Consideration**

7. In support of their motion, the parties submit that further information has been requested by the Advisory Body on Compensation Claims for the determination of the pending claims, and thus additional time will be necessary to continue the mediation.
8. Having reviewed the parties’ submissions, considering the circumstances invoked by the parties, and for a fair and expedited disposal of the present case, the Tribunal considers it appropriate to grant the motion.
9. Pursuant to art. 19 of the Tribunal’s Rules of Procedure,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

10. The proceedings before the Tribunal in Case No. UNDT/GVA/2021/005 be further suspended during the mediation process until **Friday, 10 June 2022**.

11. If a mediation agreement is reached within this period, the parties or the Mediation Division shall inform the Tribunal accordingly without delay, and the Applicant shall confirm to the Tribunal, in writing, that his application is withdrawn; or

12. If no settlement agreement can be reached within the prescribed period, the parties or the Mediation Division shall inform the Tribunal, which will resume proceedings in the matter, unless otherwise requested and decided.

*(Signed)*

Judge Teresa Bravo

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022

Entered in the Register on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022

*(Signed)*

René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva