



Before: Judge Teresa Bravo

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: René M. Vargas M.

REHMAN

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER ON
MOTION FOR WITHDRAWAL**

Counsel for Applicant:

Self-represented

Counsel for Respondent:

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Introduction

1. By motion filed on 15 December 2022, the Applicant sought an extension of time to file an application concerning the decision by the Deputy Director, Investigations, Office of Internal Audit and Investigations, United Nations Children’s Fund, on her complaints dated 26 January and 21 March 2016.

2. In support of her request for extension of time, the Applicant, who is self-represented, submitted that the Office of the Ombudsman for United Nations Funds and Programmes approached her to suggest “informal resolution of disputes and disagreements through mediation”, and that a mediation process was on-going.

3. By Order No. 127 (GVA/2022) of 16 December 2022, the Tribunal extended the Applicant’s deadline to file an application to 31 January 2023.

4. On 30 January 2023, the Applicant filed her application, which was served on the Respondent with a deadline to reply set to 6 March 2023.

5. On 1 March 2023, the Applicant filed a motion to withdraw her application, informing the Tribunal that the parties informally resolved the dispute, and signed a settlement agreement on 27 February 2023 under the auspices of the Office of the Ombudsman for United Nations Funds and Programmes.

Consideration

6. Considering that amicable settlement of disputes is encouraged and is important, especially in circumstances where there is an ongoing employment relationship, the Tribunal commends both parties for their good faith efforts in resolving this case amicably by mutual agreement.

7. Having reviewed the Applicant’s motion, the Tribunal sees no obstacle to the withdrawal of the application. As the matter has now been settled by a mutual agreement, there is no longer any matter for adjudication before the Tribunal.

Conclusion

8. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED that Case No. UNDT/GVA/2022/043 be hereby closed and struck from the Tribunal's docket.

(Signed)

Judge Teresa Bravo

Dated this 2nd day of March 2023

Entered in the Register on this 2nd day of March 2023

(Signed)

René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva