

Before: Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: René M. Vargas M.

ISUFI

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

Counsel for Applicant: Robbie Leighton, OSLA

Counsel for Respondent:

Halil Göksan, AS/ALD/OHR, UN Secretariat

Case No. UNDT/GVA/2023/031 Order No. 135 (GVA/2023)

Introduction

1. By application filed on 7 June 2023, the Applicant, a staff member of the United Nations Development Coordination Office, contests the decision not to renew his fixed-term appointment beyond 31 December 2022 due to unsatisfactory performance.

2. On 12 July 2023, the Respondent filed his reply.

3. By Order No. 118 (GVA/2023) of 11 September 2023, the Tribunal instructed:

a. The Applicant to file a rejoinder by 22 September 2023;

b. The Respondent to file his comments on the Applicant's rejoinder by 2 October 2023; and

c. The parties to explore resolving the dispute amicably and revert to the Tribunal in this respect by 12 October 2023.

4. On 22 September 2023, the Applicant filed his rejoinder.

5. On 2 October 2023, the Respondent filed his comments on the Applicant's rejoinder.

Consideration

6. Recalling para. 6 of its Order No. 118 (GVA/2023), and noting that the General Assembly has consistently encouraged alternative dispute resolution, the Tribunal continues to encourage the parties to explore the possibility of having the dispute between them resolved without recourse to further litigation.

7. Having examined the parties' submissions to date and the evidence on record, the Tribunal finds that it is fully informed on the matter and that the case can be determined on the papers without holding a hearing. Consequently, the parties can proceed to file their respective closing submission.

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8. Pursuant to art. 19.1 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

9. By Friday, 13 October 2023, the parties file their respective closing submission.

(*Signed*) Judge Sun Xiangzhuang Dated this 6th day of October 2023

Entered in the Register on this 6th day of October 2023 (*Signed*) René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva