



Before: Duty Judge

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: René M. Vargas M.

IACOVINO

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER
ON CASE MANAGEMENT**

Counsel for Applicant:

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Counsel for Respondent:

Jérôme Blanchard, HRLU, UNOG

Introduction

1. On 10 June 2024, the Applicant, a former staff member of the International Trade Center (“ITC”), filed an application contesting the decision “not to extend [his] employment to cover [his] sick leave and instead to terminate [his] appointment and separate [him] while on certified sick leave”.
2. On 11 July 2024, the Respondent filed his reply, *inter alia*, contesting the receivability of part of the application.

Consideration

Filing of a rejoinder

3. Having perused the case file, the Tribunal considers it appropriate and in the interest of justice to direct the Applicant to file a rejoinder. In his rejoinder, the Applicant should specifically address the receivability issue that the Respondent raised in his reply.

Amicable settlement

4. Recalling that the General Assembly has consistently encouraged alternative dispute resolution, the Tribunal finds it appropriate to encourage the parties to explore the possibility of having their dispute resolved without recourse to further litigation.

Conclusion

5. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT:
 - a. By **Tuesday, 24 September 2024**, the Applicant shall file a rejoinder; and

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b. The parties shall explore resolving the dispute amicably and revert to the Tribunal in this respect by **Tuesday, 1 October 2024**.

(Signed)

Judge Sun Xiangzhuang (Duty Judge)

Dated this 9th day of September 2024

Entered in the Register on this 9th day of September 2024

(Signed)

René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva