

Before: Judge Eleanor Donaldson-Honeywell

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: René M. Vargas M.

STEPANOVA

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

Counsel for Applicant: Robbie Leighton, OSLA

Counsel for Respondent:

Tamal Mandal, DAS/ALD/OHR/UN Secretariat

Case No. UNDT/GVA/2024/010 Order No. 118 (GVA/2024)

Introduction

1. By application filed on 28 March 2024, the Applicant contests the decision to subject her to the mobility policy under ST/AI/2023/3 (Mobility).

2. On 3 May 2024, the Respondent filed his reply, *inter alia*, challenging the receivability of the application.

3. By Order No. 71 (GVA/2024), the Duty Judge instructed the Applicant to file a rejoinder and asked the parties to explore resolving the dispute amicably instructing them to revert to the Tribunal in this respect.

4. The Applicant filed his rejoinder on 25 July 2024.

5. In their joint response to Order No. 71 (GVA/2024), filed on 1 August 2024, the parties informed the Tribunal that they were unable to settle the dispute amicably in this case.

6. The case was assigned to undersigned Judge on 17 September 2024.

Consideration

7. The Tribunal has reviewed the parties' submissions and, having in mind art. 19 of its Rules of Procedure, takes the view that the relevant facts in the present case are clear, there is no need to conduct a hearing on the merits, and the matter can be determined based on the documents on record.

8. Therefore, in the interest of a fair and expeditious disposal of the case, the parties, if they so wish, may file closing submissions, addressing the points raised in each other's filings.

Conclusion

9. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT by Friday,18 October 2024, the parties, if they so wish, shall file their respective closing submission, which shall:

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a. Exclusively refer to the evidence already on file; and

b. Not exceed five pages, in font Times New Roman, font size 12 pt, line spacing of 1.5 lines.

(*Signed*) Judge Eleanor Donaldson-Honeywell Dated this 26th day of September 2024

Entered in the Register on this 26th day of September 2024 (*Signed*) René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva