Case No.: UNDT/GVA/2023/057 Order No.: 129 (GVA/2024)

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Date: 9 October 2024

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Before: Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: René M. Vargas M.

TURCANU

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER

ON CASE MANAGEMENT

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Self-represented

Counsel for Respondent:

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Introduction

1. The Applicant is a Child Protection Specialist working with the United Nations Children's Fund ("UNICEF"), Republic of Moldova Country Office. On 7 November 2023, he filed an application contesting the decision of the Office of Internal Audit and Investigations ("OIAI") to close his complaint of harassment and abuse of authority against his supervisor following a preliminary review.

- 2. On 15 December 2023, the Respondent filed his reply.
- 3. By Order No.13 (GVA/2024) dated 6 February 2024, the Tribunal directed the Applicant to file a rejoinder, and the parties to explore resolving the dispute amicably and revert to it in this respect by 14 March 2024.
- 4. On 7 March 2024, the Applicant filed his rejoinder.
- 5. On 14 March 2024, the parties filed a joint submission pursuant to Order No. 13 (GVA/2024), informing the Tribunal that they had been unable to resolve this matter amicably.

Consideration

- 6. Having reviewed the evidence on record and the parties' submissions to date, the Tribunal considers itself sufficiently informed to render its judgment without holding a hearing on the merits.
- 7. Pursuant to art. 19 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure, and for the fair disposal of the case, the parties are instructed to file their respective closing submission. Upon filing the closing submissions, the Tribunal will move forward with adjudicating the case.

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Conclusion

- 8. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT:
 - a. The parties shall file their closing submissions by Friday,
 25 October 2024, which shall exclusively refer to the evidence already on file; and
 - b. The closing submissions shall not exceed 10 pages, using font Times New Roman, font size 12 pts and 1.5 line spacing.

(Signed)

Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Dated this 9th day of October 2024

Entered in the Register on this 9th day of October 2024 (*Signed*)
René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva