



Before: Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: René M. Vargas M.

DE DOBBELAERE

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER
ON WITHDRAWAL OF
APPLICATION**

Counsel for Applicant:

Self-represented

Counsel for Respondent:

Alister Cumming, UNICEF

Introduction

1. On 12 October 2023, the Applicant, a staff member of the United Nations Children’s Fund (“UNICEF”), filed an application contesting the decision to close an investigation into abuse of authority, harassment, and sexual harassment allegedly committed by her former supervisor, without taking any disciplinary, administrative, and/or managerial action.
2. On 11 November 2023, the Applicant filed a motion for anonymity.
3. On 11 December 2023, the Respondent filed his reply to the application and his response to the Applicant’s motion for anonymity.
4. On 22 December 2023, the Applicant filed a motion to file a rejoinder.
5. On 10 January 2024, the Applicant filed a motion for disclosure of evidence.
6. On 17 January 2024, the Respondent filed a response to the Applicant’s motion for disclosure of evidence.
7. On 18 January 2024, the Applicant filed a motion for leave to comment on the Respondent’s response to her motion for disclosure of evidence.
8. By Order No. 8 (GVA/2024) of 30 January 2024, the Tribunal decided to deny the Applicant’s motion for anonymity and to grant her motion to file a rejoinder as well as her motion to file comments on the Respondent’s 16 January 2024 response.
9. On 14 February 2024, the Applicant filed her comments on the Respondent’s 17 January 2024 response.
10. On 28 February 2024, the Applicant filed a second motion for leave to adduce evidence.
11. On 29 February 2024, the Applicant filed a rejoinder, and on 1 March 2024 she filed a motion requesting the Tribunal to reconsider her motion for anonymity.
12. On 7 March 2024, the parties separately informed the Tribunal that there was no prospect of an amicable resolution of the present matter at that stage.

13. By Order No. 102 (GVA/2024) of 4 September 2024, the Tribunal decided to deny the Applicant's 10 January 2024 motion for production of evidence and instructed the Respondent to file his response to the Applicant's pending motions.

14. On 13 September 2024, the Respondent filed his response to the Applicant's pending motions.

15. By Order No. 133 (GVA/2024) of 1 November 2024, the Tribunal rejected the Applicant's motion for anonymity reconsideration and partially granted her motion for leave to adduce evidence. It also instructed the parties to file closing submissions by 15 November 2024.

16. On 4 November 2024, the Applicant filed a "Withdrawal of application".

Consideration

17. Having reviewed the Applicant's 4 November 2024 filing, the Tribunal sees no obstacle to the withdrawal of the application.

Conclusion

18. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT there being no further matter for adjudication before the Tribunal, Case No. UNDT/GVA/2023/053/T is hereby closed and struck from the Tribunal's docket.

(Signed)

Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Dated this 4th day of November 2024

Entered in the Register on this 4th day of November 2024

(Signed)

René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva