

Before: Judge Margaret Tibulya

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: Liliana López Bello

APPLICANT

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

Counsel for Applicant: Self-represented

Counsel for Respondent:

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Notice: This Order has been amended pursuant to Order No. 50 (GVA/2025).

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Introduction

 The Tribunal held a case management discussion ("CMD") in this case on 17 April 2025.

2. After the CMD, the Tribunal issued Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) and, among others, directed the parties as follows:

a. On or before **Tuesday**, **29 April 2025**, Counsel for the Respondent to file her response to the motions listed in para. 3 of the Order.

b. On or before Tuesday, 6 May 2025, the Applicant to file:

i. Any reply to the Respondent's submissions, if any; and

ii. If she wishes, a motion detailing any damages she may have incurred.

3. On 24 April 2025, the Applicant filed a motion for the variation of Order No. 38 (GVA/2025). In her submissions, the Applicant requests the variation of the order for the following reasons:

a. Clarification of whether her 7 April 2025 motion for production of documents and her 14 March 2024 motion requesting an order on consolidated lists of agreed facts and disputed facts are still pending;

b. Whether her 7 April 2025 submission on legal issues is accepted into the record;

c. Request the Tribunal to remove from Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) the instruction to the Respondent to file his response to the Applicant's motion to access her former United Nations email account. Applicant avers that such a response has already been filed by the Respondent (on 28 March 2024), and she has since then not amended or re-submitted the motion; and

d. Request the Tribunal to remove from Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) the instruction to the Respondent to file his response to her 5 April 2024 motion

for leave to submit documents (annexes to rejoinder). Applicant states that the Tribunal directed her to file a rejoinder, and the Respondent has not contested the motion since 5 April 2024.

4. Additionally, the Applicant requests the Tribunal to extend her 6 May 2025 deadline to file her submissions in response to Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) on the grounds that 1 and 2 May 2025 are public holidays in Belgium, she is a self-represented litigant, and she has prior commitments that will take her outside the country. She thus requests an extension of the deadline for at least one week beyond 6 May 2025 for her to file submissions on damages and reply to the Respondent's submissions.

Consideration

5. The Tribunal observes that the issue of the Applicant's motion of 7 April 2025 has already been addressed. As per the Tribunal's instructions issued on 24 April 2025, the Respondent was directed to respond to the motion when submitting his response to Order No. 38 (GVA/2025). Therefore, there is no need to vary Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) so as to clarify if that motion is still pending.

6. The Tribunal confirms that the Applicant's 14 March 2024 motion requesting an order on consolidated lists of agreed facts and disputed facts is still pending and will be decided in due course.

7. The question on whether her 7 April 2025 submission on legal issues is accepted into the record, the Tribunal will issue its decision in due course.

8. Regarding the Applicant's request to remove from Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) directives relating to the Applicant's request to access her official emails and her 5 April 2024 motion for leave to submit documents filed as annexes to the rejoinder, the Tribunal notes that these matters were discussed at the CMD in the presence of both parties after the Applicant had raised them. The Order was issued following the discussions at the CMD. Therefore, it is prudent to keep Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) as is. The Respondent will file submissions on the two issues as was directed in the Order.

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9. On the Applicant's request to extend the deadline for her to file submissions listed in paragraph 7 (b) of Order No. 38 (GVA/2025), the Tribunal decides to grant the request.

Conclusion

10. In view of the foregoing, the Applicant's motion is partially granted. It is therefore, ORDERED THAT:

a. Paragraph 7 (a) of Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) remains unvaried; and

b. Paragraph 7 (b) of Order No. 38 (GVA/2025) is varied. The Applicant shall file her submissions on or before **Monday**, **12 May 2025**.

(Signed)

Judge Margaret Tibulya Dated this 28th day of April 2025

Entered in the Register on this 28th day of April 2025 *(Signed)*

Liliana López Bello, Registrar, Geneva