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Before: Judge Vinod Boolell

Registry: Nairobi

Registrar: Abena Kwakye-Berko

MBAIGOLMEM

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON CHANGE OF VENUE

Counsel for the Applicant: Edward Patrick Flaherty

Counsel for the Respondent: Karen Madeleine Farkas, UNHCR

The Application and Procedural History

1. The Applicant was the Assistant Regional Representative (Supply) of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) to the Democratic Republic of the Congo. He was based in Kinshasa, and served at the P5 level on a fixed term appointment.

2. On 6 October 2015, he filed an Application with the United Nations Dispute Tribunal in Nairobi challenging the Respondent's decision to separate him from service, with termination indemnity and compensation *in lieu* of notice.

3. The Respondent replied to the Application on 6 November 2015.

4. On 9 December 2015, the Applicant filed his submissions in response to the Respondent's Reply.

5. Following consultation with the UNDT in Geneva, a decision has been made by the UNDT Registry in Nairobi to transfer this case to the UNDT in Geneva.

6. On 15 March 2016, the Tribunal issued Order No. 102 (NBI/2016) seeking the Parties' views on the transfer of this case from Nairobi to Geneva.

7. Neither Party has objected to the transfer.

ORDER

8. In accordance with art. 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Tribunal, the present case is transferred to the United Nations Dispute Tribunal in Geneva with immediate effect.

9. The Tribunal directs the Registry in Nairobi to effect the necessary arrangements for the transfer of the file to the Registry in Geneva.

(signed)

Judge Vinod Boolell Dated this 23rd day of March 2016

Entered in the Register on this 23rd day of March 2016

(signed) Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi