

UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2014/021 Order No.: 175 (NBI/2016) Date: 31 March 2016 Original: English

Before: Judge Coral Shaw

Registry: Nairobi

**Registrar:** Abena Kwakye-Berko

#### SYRJA

v.

#### SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

# ORDER STRIKING OUT THE APPLICATION

**Counsel for the Applicant:** Nicole Washienko, OSLA

**Counsel for the Respondent:** Steven Dietrich, ALS/OHRM Alister Cumming, ALS/OHRM

## Introduction

1. The Applicant is a staff member of the Opération des Nations Unies en Côte d'Ivoire (ONUCI). He filed an Application on 19 March 2014 to challenge the decision to limit his compensation to USD2,654.67 for claims arising out of the destruction of his personal belongings at his residence during the post-electoral violence in Ivory Coast (Contested Decision).

2. The Respondent submitted a Reply on 24 April 2014 in which he challenged the receivability of the Application.

3. In Judgment No. UNDT/2015/092, the Tribunal found the Application dated 19 March 2014 receivable.

4. In Judgment No. UNDT/2016/001, the Tribunal concluded that the Contested Decision was unlawful and remanded the Applicant's claim for compensation to the United Nations Claims Board for reconsideration. Additionally, the Tribunal decided that it would make a determination on remedies if the parties were unable to reach an agreement by 29 February 2016.

5. On 29 February 2016, the parties filed a Joint Motion for extension of time informing the Tribunal that they were discussing the issue of remedies and prayed for an additional two weeks to reach an agreement. The parties' Motion for extension of time was granted until 16 March 2016.

6. On 16 March 2016, the parties filed a Joint Motion for extension of time seeking an additional week to continue their discussions. The parties' Joint Motion for extension of time was granted up to 29 March 2016 (Order No. 105 (NBI/2016)).

7. On 29 March 2016, the parties filed a Joint Submission informing the Tribunal that "a mutually determined amount of compensation to be paid to the Applicant has been reached" and that, accordingly, "the parties have now concluded their discussions on remedies."

### **Deliberations and Order**

8. The Tribunal commends the parties for resolving this matter without further recourse to litigation.

9 As the only remaining issue of remedies has been resolved, there is no longer any dispute to be adjudicated upon by the Tribunal and,

### IT IS ACCORDINGLY ORDERED THAT:

10. The matter of *Syrja v The Secretary-General of the United Nations* (UNDT/NBI/2014/021) be struck off the Court's docket.

(Signed)

Judge Coral Shaw

Dated this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 2016

Entered in the Register on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 2016

(Signed)

Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi