

Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2015/112

Order No.: 066 (NBI/2017)
Date: 14 March 2017

Original: English

Before: Judge Alexander W. Hunter, Jr.

Registry: Nairobi

Registrar: Abena Kwakye-Berko

KELAPILE

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON THE PARTIES' APPLICATION FOR FURTHER SUSPENSION OF PROCEEDINGS

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Introduction

- 1. On 2 February 2017, the Tribunal issued Order No. 023 (NBI/2017) setting this matter down for a case management discussion on 7 February 2017, commencing at 1500hrs (Nairobi time).
- 2. The CMD took place as scheduled.
- 3. The parties informed the Tribunal that they are currently engaged in efforts to have this dispute resolved *inter partes* and that the Ombudsman has been engaged towards that end. They moved for the matter to be suspended pursuant to art. 10.3 of the Statute.
- 4. On 8 February 2017, the Tribunal issued Order No. 030 (NBI/2017) suspending the proceedings for one month to allow for mediation.
- 5. On 10 February 2017, the Ombudsman applied, on behalf of the parties, for the suspension of proceedings to be extended.

Order

- 6. The Tribunal commends the parties for their continued efforts at having this matter resolved without recourse to litigation.
- 7. The Tribunal therefore **grants the** parties' motion for extension of the suspension of proceedings.
- 8. Pursuant to art. 10.3 of the Statute of the Tribunal and art. 15 of the Rules of Procedure, the Tribunal makes the following **ORDERS:**
 - a) The Office of the United Nations Ombudsman & Mediation Service will advise the Tribunal on the status of the mediation process by 14 April 2017;

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- b) If this matter is not fully resolved by said date, sworn witness statements and a paginated bundle of documents should be filed by 14 April 2017 and, thereafter, this Tribunal will calendar this proceeding for an evidentiary hearing on a date certain.
- c) The Registry will serve a copy of the present order on the Office of the Ombudsman as stipulated in art. 15.4 of the Rules of Procedure.

(Signed)
Judge Alexander W. Hunter, Jr.

Dated this 14th day of March 2017

Entered in the Register on this 14th day of March 2017 (Signed)

Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi