



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2019/156

Order No.: 012 (NBI/2020)

Date: 20 January 2019

Original: English

**Before:** Judge Rachel Sophie Sikwese

**Registry:** Nairobi

**Registrar:** Abena Kwakye-Berko

ONIWA

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

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**ORDER ON THE PARTIES' JOINT  
MOTION TO SUSPEND THE  
PROCEEDINGS PENDING INFORMAL  
RESOLUTION**

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## **Background**

1. By Order No. 206 (NBI/2019), the Tribunal suspended the proceedings pending informal resolution until 20 January 2020. The Tribunal also extended the deadline for filing the reply to 20 January 2020.

2. On 20 January 2020, the Parties filed a joint motion to suspend the proceedings for a further period of 4 weeks and to suspend the deadline for the reply as they are continuing to explore informal resolution in the context of the management evaluation process.

3. The Tribunal commends the Parties for their ongoing attempt to resolve this dispute without recourse to litigation and, pursuant to art. 35 of the UNDT Rules of Procedure, grants their joint motion as prayed.

## **IT IS ACCODINGLY ORDERED**

4. The proceedings in the present case are suspended until 10 February 2020.

5. The deadline for the reply is extended to 10 February 2020.

6. On or before 10 February 2020, the Parties shall inform the Tribunal as to whether the case has been resolved. If so, the Applicant shall confirm to the Tribunal, in writing, that her application is withdrawn finally and entirely.

*(Signed)*

Judge Rachel Sophie Sikwese

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020

Entered in the Register on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January 2020

*(Signed)*

Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi