

# UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2019/006

English

Order No.: 080 (NBI/2020)

Date: 29 April 2020

Original:

**Before:** Judge Margaret Tibulya

**Registry:** Nairobi

**Registrar:** Abena Kwakye-Berko

**MODEY-EBI** 

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

#### ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

## **Counsel for the Applicant:**

George G. Irving

## **Counsel for the Respondent:**

Elizabeth Brown, UNHCR Francisco Navarro, UNHCR

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### **Background**

- 1. The Applicant is a former Deputy Regional Representative at the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees' ("UNHCR") Regional Office in Pretoria, South Africa Office.
- 2. On 4 February 2019, she filed an application challenging the UNHCR High Commissioner's decision to dismiss her from service pursuant to staff rule 10.2(a)(ix) for serious misconduct.
- 3. The Tribunal held a case management discussion ("CMD") on 28 April 2020.

#### **ORDERS**

- 4. The Applicant shall file a rejoinder to the reply by or before 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 13 May 2020.
- 5. Pursuant to art. 18.2 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure, the Applicant's oral motion during the CMD for disclosure by the Respondent of whether any disciplinary action was taken against other specified UNHCR staff members for interfering with the recruitment of Ms. Charlotte Ridung is granted. The said staff members are Mr. Valentin Tapsoba, Director, Regional Bureau for Africa, Mr. George Okoth-Obbo, Assistant High Commissioner for Operations and Ms. Sharon Cooper, then Regional Representative for South Africa. The Respondent shall file submissions on this score by 5 May 2020.
- 6. By or before 29 May 2020, the parties shall file a joint submission:
  - a. proposing dates for the oral hearing of the case;
  - b. identifying the witnesses to be called and providing a synopsis of their anticipated evidence; and
  - c. agreeing on a date to file a paginated, agreed bundle of documents that

will be referred to by the witnesses during the hearing.

(Signed)

Judge Margaret Tibulya

Dated this 29th day of April 2020

Entered in the Register on this 29th day of April 2020

(Signed)

Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi