

UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2020/047

Order No.: 167 (NBI/2020)

Date: 2 September 2020

Original: English

Before: Judge Agnieszka Klonowiecka-Milart

Registry: Nairobi

Registrar: Abena Kwakye-Berko

SANDO et al.

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON THE PARTIES' JOINT MOTION TO SUSPEND PROCEEDINGS

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Self-represented

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Introduction

1. On 30 June 2020, the Applicants filed an application challenging the implied decision of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic

Republic of Congo ("MONUSCO") to deny them payment of night differential.¹

2. The deadline for the Respondent's reply was 3 August 2020.

3. On 29 July 2020, the parties moved the Tribunal to suspend proceedings in

this case for 30 days from the then deadline for the reply and to extend the deadline

for the filing of the reply until 3 September 2020 on the ground that the Applicants

and MONUSCO were making good faith efforts to informally resolve the dispute.

4. On 3 August 2020, by its Order No. 146 (NBI/2020), the Tribunal granted the

parties' motion and the proceedings were suspended until 3 September 2020. By the

same Order, the parties were directed to inform the Tribunal whether or not the

matter had been resolved. The Tribunal also extended the deadline to file the

Respondent's reply to 3 September 2020.

5. On 1 September 2020, the parties filed another joint motion informing the

Tribunal that the Applicants and MONUSCO, with assistance from the Office of the

Ombudsman, are continuing to make good faith efforts to informally resolve the

dispute. Accordingly, the parties requested the Tribunal to suspend the proceedings

for further 30 days and to extend the deadline for the Respondent's reply to 3 October

2020.

Deliberations and Order

6. The Tribunal GRANTS the parties' joint motion and the proceedings are

suspended until 3 October 2020. On or before that date, the parties shall inform the

Tribunal whether or not the matter has been resolved.

¹ Application, section V

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7. The deadline for the filing of the reply is extended to 5 October 2020.

(Signed)

Judge Agnieszka Klonowiecka-Milart Dated this 2nd day of September 2020

Entered in the Register on this 2nd day of September 2020

(Signed) Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi