



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2022/051
Order No.: 087 (NBI/2022)
Date: 22 July 2022
Original: English

Before: Judge Margaret Tibulya

Registry: Nairobi

Registrar: Abena Kwakye-Berko

DEGAFE

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER ON THE PARTIES' JOINT
MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Counsel for the Applicant:
Shubha Suresh, OSLA

Counsel for the Respondent:
Cynthia Cline, ECA

Introduction

1. The Applicant is a Staff Development Assistant, working with the Economic Commission for Africa (“ECA”). On 21 June 2022, he filed an application contesting the decision to not select him for the post of Senior Development Assistant, G-7, post at ECA.
2. The deadline for the Respondent to file a reply is on 22 July 2022.
3. On 18 July 2022, the parties filed a joint motion informing the Tribunal that they are currently engaged in efforts to resolve the matter *inter partes* and request the Tribunal to put a stay on the proceedings for a period of four weeks.¹

DIRECTIONS.

4. The Tribunal makes the following **ORDERS**:
 - i. The proceedings before the Tribunal in this matter are suspended until **17 August 2022** for the purposes of allowing the parties to informally resolve the dispute;
 - ii. If a settlement agreement is reached within this period, the parties shall inform the Tribunal accordingly without delay, and the Applicant shall subsequently confirm to the Tribunal, in writing, that his application is withdrawn, or
 - iii. If no settlement can be reached within the prescribed period, the parties shall inform the Tribunal, and the Respondent shall file a reply by **24 August 2022**, and the proceedings in this matter shall resume.

¹ Parties’ joint motion for extension of time filed on 18 July 2022.

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(Signed)

Judge Margaret Tibulya

Dated this 22nd day of July 2022

Entered in the Register on this 22nd day of July 2022

(Signed)

Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi