

- Before: Francesco Buffa
- **Registry:** Nairobi

**Registrar:** Abena Kwakye-Berko

#### NEGA

v.

# SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

# ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

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**Counsel for the Respondent:** Nicole Wynn, AAS/ALD/OHR, UN Secretariat Maureen Munyolo, AAS/ALD/OHR, UN Secretariat

## Introduction

1. At the time of the application, the Applicant was the Chief of Service at the United Nations-African Union Hybrid Operation in Darfur ("UNAMID"). He held a continuing appointment at the D-1 level and was based in Khartoum.

2. On 19 August 2021, he filed an application with the United Nations Dispute Tribunal sitting in Nairobi to impugn the Respondent's refusal to "make good faith efforts to absorb him on to a new post after it decided to abolish his existing post."

3. The Respondent filed his reply on 20 September 2021. The Respondent's principal contention is that the application is not materially receivable before the Tribunal.

## Order

4. The Tribunal has reviewed the parties' submissions and, having in mind articles 16.1 and 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the UNDT, takes the view that the relevant facts in the present case are clear and there is no need to conduct a hearing on the merits as the matter can be determined on the basis of the documents on record.

5. To this end, the parties are **DIRECTED** to file by **16 August 2022** their closing submissions, which can have the maximum length of 10 pages, using Times New Roman, font size 12, line spacing 1.5.

*(Signed)* Judge Francesco Buffa Dated this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2022

Entered in the Register on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2022

(*Signed*) Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi