



Before: Judge Sean Wallace
Registry: Nairobi
Registrar: René M. Vargas M., Officer-in-Charge

GOTTWALD

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER
ON THE APPLICANT'S MOTION TO
DISCONTINUE AND WITHDRAW
PROCEEDINGS**

Counsel for Applicant:

Self-represented

Counsel for Respondent:

Elizabeth Brown, UNHCR

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Introduction

1. On 6 December 2023, the Applicant, a staff member of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (“UNHCR”), filed an application before the Dispute Tribunal contesting an appointment decision made by the UNHCR High Commissioner.
2. The application was served on the Respondent on 12 December 2023 with a deadline to file a reply by 12 January 2024.
3. On 25 December 2023, the parties filed a joint motion requesting for the suspension of proceedings in this case, until 26 March 2024, on the ground that they were engaged in informal settlement discussions to resolve the Applicant’s grievances.
4. On 2 January 2024, the parties were informed that the Tribunal had granted the parties’ joint motion and that a reply should be filed by 1 April 2024 in the absence of a settlement.
5. On 23 February 2024, the Applicant filed a motion to discontinue and withdraw proceedings on the ground that, on 16 February 2024, the parties had reached a settlement duly signed by all parties.

Consideration

6. The Tribunal does not see any obstacles for the withdrawal of the application registered under Case No. UNDT/NBI/2023/082. The Applicant’s clear and unequivocal withdrawal of his application requires no pronouncement on the merits and concludes the current matter before the Tribunal.

Conclusion

7. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT there being no further matter for adjudication before the Tribunal, Case No. UNDT/NBI/2023/082 be hereby closed and struck from the Tribunal's docket.

(Signed)

Judge Sean Wallace

Dated this 23rd day of February 2024

Entered in the Register on this 23rd day of February 2024

(Signed)

René M. Vargas M., Officer-in-Charge, Nairobi