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Registry: Nairobi

Registrar: René M. Vargas M., Officer-in-Charge

WYNN

v.

## SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

# ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

**Counsel for the Applicant:** Self-represented

**Counsel for the Respondent:** 

Jérome Blanchard, LPAS/UNOG

Case No. UNDT/NBI/2023/037 Order No. 37 (NBI/2024)

## Introduction

1. The Applicant, a Legal Officer in the Office of Human Resources, Department of Management Strategy, Policy and Compliance, filed an application on 4 July 2023 to contest the decisions to exclude mandatory fees:

a. From her education grant advance for the 2022-2023 academic year; and

b. That had been previously advanced for her son's 2021-2022 academic year, resulting in a recovery of USD1,364.52.

2. The Respondent filed a reply on 3 August 2023 requesting the Tribunal to reject the application in its entirety.

3. The Tribunal held a third case management discussion ("CMD") on 19 March 2024.

#### Consideration

4. At the CMD, the following matters were discussed.

Sample of the document the Applicant expects to have been sent from the Global Strategy and Policy Division ("GSPD")

5. The parties observed that on 15 March 2024, the Applicant filed an example of the document she expects from GSPD. The Applicant requests for the last changes to ST/AI/2018/1/Rev.1/Amend.1 (Education grant and related benefits), both for the amendment and revision; and

6. The Respondent agreed to consult and provide feedback on the above by Monday, 25 March 2024.

Applicant's request to supplement her submissions on damages.

7. In her response to Order No. 18 (NBI/2024), the Applicant filed submissions on the damages that she claims she suffered. At the CMD, she requested to supplement her submissions to include evidence regarding her state of mind when the contested decision was taken and provide further financial statements.

8. The Respondent objected the Applicant's request on the ground that she already extensively addressed the issue of damages in her response to Order No. 18 (NBI/2024).

9. The Tribunal granted the Applicant's request and directed her to file the submissions not later than Monday, 25 March 2024.

## Hearing

10. The parties agreed that there was no further need for a hearing in this matter.

#### Closing submissions

The parties agreed to file closing submissions not later than Monday,
8 April 2024.

## Conclusion

- 12. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT:
  - a. The evidence in this case will close on Monday, 25 March 2024;
  - b. On or before **Monday**, **25 March 2024**, the Respondent will file the expected document from GSPD or a certification from a responsible official confirming that such a document does not exist; and

c. On or before Monday, 25 March 2024, the Applicant will file supplementary submissions on damages.

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13. The parties will file their respective closing submission on or before Monday,8 April 2024.

14. The closing submission of each party shall:

a. Exclusively refer to evidence already on file. The parties will indicate which claims have since been resolved; and

b. Not exceed **five pages**, using Times New Roman, font size 12 pts and 1.5 line spacing.

*(Signed)* Judge Sean Wallace Dated this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024

Entered in the Register on this 19th day of March 2024

(Signed) René M. Vargas M., Officer-in-Charge, Nairobi