Case No.:

UNDT/NBI/2023/081

Order No.:

60 (NBI/2024)

Original:

28 May 2024 English

Before: Judge Sean Wallace

Registry: Nairobi

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

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v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

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Introduction

1. The Applicant filed an incomplete application on 14 November 2023. After

several reminders by the Registry, her application was completed on 30 April 2024.

The Applicant contests what she terms as "termination of employment through

constructive dismissal".

2. The Respondent filed a reply on 23 May 2024, in which it is argued that the

application is not receivable ratione materiae and ratione temporis. The

Respondent contends that the application was submitted outside the time frame for

filing applications before the Management Evaluation Unit (as it then was) and

currently known as the Management Advice and Evaluation Section.

Consideration

3. Pursuant to art. 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Dispute Tribunal, the

Tribunal may at any time issue an order or give any direction which appears to be

appropriate for the fair and expeditious disposal of a case and to do justice to the

parties.

4. Having taken into consideration the pleadings of the parties, the Tribunal has

concluded that the Applicant should be given an opportunity to comment on the

Respondent's reply and more specifically address the receivability issues raised by

the Respondent.

Conclusion

5. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT:

a. On or before 28 June 2024, the Applicant shall file a response to the

reply and more specifically address the receivability issues raised by the

Respondent.

b. The submissions shall not exceed five pages, in font Times New

Roman, font size 12, line spacing of 1.5 lines.

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 $\begin{tabular}{ll} (Signed) \\ Judge Sean Wallace \\ Dated this 28^{th} day of May 2024 \\ \end{tabular}$

Entered in the Register on this 28th day of May 2024

(Signed)

Eric Muli, Legal Officer, for René M. Vargas M., Officer-in-Charge, Nairobi