Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2023/055

Order No.: 78 (NBI/2024)
Date: 27 June 2024

Original: English

Before: Judge Sean Wallace

Registry: Nairobi

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

**KISUMIRO** 

v.

## SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

## ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

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Introduction

1. On 10 July 2023, the Applicant, a former Construction and Maintenance

Worker at the United Nations Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of

the Congo ("MONUSCO"), filed an application contesting the decision of

1 May 2023 to separate him from service with compensation in lieu of notice and

without termination indemnity.

2. The Respondent filed a reply on 10 August 2023 requesting the Tribunal to

reject the application. He contends that there is clear and convincing evidence in

support of the sanction imposed on the Applicant.

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

25 June 2024.

Consideration

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

a. Change of the case file name from "Roger" to the Applicant's last

name: Kisumiro;

b. Hearing dates. The parties agreed to have the hearing on

22-23 August 2024, subject to availability of the interpreters; and

c. Discovery of documents including:

i. Copy of the email dated 6 April 2018, purportedly from the

Applicant's email address to Cigna;

ii. Copy of the investigation dossier in the closed case against the

Applicant, in Case No. 0955/18.

Conclusion

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

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a. The Tribunal's Nairobi Registry will take action to change the case file

name from "Roger" to "Kisumiro".

b. A hearing on the merits in this case will take place on

22-23 August 2024, subject to availability of interpreters. The hearing will

commence each day at 10 a.m. (Nairobi time).

c. On or before **Monday**, **15 July 2024**, the Respondent will file:

i. Digital copies of the emails dated 6 April 2018 purportedly

exchanged between Cigna and the Applicant's email

address (kisumiro@un.org), including the metadata for those

emails; and

ii. By way of an ex parte filing, a copy of the investigation dossier

in the closed case against the Applicant, in the Office of Internal

Oversight Services ("OIOS") Case No. 0955/18, regardless of whether

the file is currently held by OIOS, the United Nations Office for Project

Services, MONUSCO, or any other United Nations-affiliated entity or

program. Upon receiving the file, the Tribunal will examine it to

determine its relevance for the Applicant's case, whether the totality or

parts of the report are to be shared with the Applicant and, if so, on what

basis the documentary disclosure will be done.

(Signed)

Judge Sean Wallace

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 2024

Entered in the Register on this 27th day of June 2024

(Signed)

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