



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case Nos.: UNDT/NBI/2025/005
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Order No.: 64 (NBI/2025)

Date: 24 April 2025

Original: English

Before: Duty Judge

Registry: Nairobi

Registrar: Wanda L. Carter

KITALA, *et al.*

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER ON THE RESPONDENT'S
MOTIONS FOR EXTENSIONS OF
TIME TO COMPLY WITH ORDER
NOS. 49-58 (NBI/2025)**

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Introduction

1. By Order Nos. 49-58 (NBI/2025), dated 11 April 2025, in the referenced 10 separate cases, the Tribunal ordered, *inter alia*, that:

- a. On or before Friday, 25 April 2025, the Respondent to produce evidence of all investigative activities into the fraud complaints against the Applicants.
- b. On or before Friday, 25 April 2025, the parties to apprise the Tribunal of the status of their settlement discussions.
- c. On or before Friday, 16 May 2025, the parties to file their closing submissions.

2. On 23 April 2025, the Respondent filed identical motions in the 10 cases requesting extensions of time to produce evidence of all investigative activities into the fraud complaints against the Applicants on the grounds that: the submissions will include investigation reports with voluminous documentation evidencing the investigative activity; the documentation requires extensive redactions as large portions involve medical or confidential information pertaining to multiple individuals that are not relevant; this is taking a significant amount of time, and the Respondent expects five more working days would be necessary to complete redaction before submitting it to the Tribunal in compliance with the Orders.

Consideration

3. Given the justifications provided by the Respondent for requesting the extensions of time and the fact that the deadline for compliance with the Orders to produce evidence of all investigative activities into the fraud complaints against the Applicants falls tomorrow, 25 April 2025, the Tribunal considers that these

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constitute exceptional circumstances justifying granting the requests and will not require the Applicants' submissions in response to the motions.

Conclusion

4. In light of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT:

- a. The Respondent's motions for extensions of time to produce evidence of all investigative activities into the fraud complaints against the Applicants are granted.
- b. On or before **Friday, 2 May 2025**, the Respondent shall produce evidence of all investigative activity into the fraud complaints against the Applicants.

(Signed)

Judge Sean Wallace (Duty Judge)

Dated this 24th day of April 2025

Entered in the Register on this 24th day of April 2025

(Signed)

Wanda L. Carter, Registrar, Nairobi