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- **Before:** Judge Joelle Adda
- **Registry:** New York
- **Registrar:** Nerea Suero Fontecha

#### ANDREEV

v.

### SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

# **ORDER**

# **ON CASE MANAGEMENT**

**Counsel for Applicant:** Aleksandra Jurkiewicz, OSLA

**Counsel for Respondent:** Elizabeth Gall, ALD/OHR, UN Secretariat

### Introduction

1. On 8 February 2018, the Applicant filed an application contesting the decision not to select him for the position of Statistician, at the P-4 level, in the Demographic Statistics Section, Statistics Division, Department of Economics and Social Affairs.

2. On 12 March 2018, the Respondent filed a reply contending that the application is without merit as the contested decision was in line with procedural requirements and was not arbitrary or based on improper motivation. The Respondent submits that the Hiring Manager lawfully determined that the Applicant did not meet the work experience requirements for the position.

3. On 28 August 2019, pursuant to Order No. 115 (NY/2019), the Applicant filed a response to the Respondent's reply. In his submission, the Applicant raised a number of additional contentions in relation to the information provided by the Respondent in his reply. In particular, the Applicant claims that the Hiring Manager took the following steps in order to manipulate the selection exercise: (i) defining the minimum work experience requirements in the vacancy announcement in a unduly restrictive manner; (ii) failing to administer any written assessment precluding an objective evaluation of candidates' substantive knowledge; and (iii) conducting an inconsistent assessment of work experience requirements of the pre-screened candidates, as recorded in the Comparative analysis of preliminary evaluation table.

4. Having considered the parties' submissions, pursuant to art. 19 of the Dispute Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and for a fair disposal of the case,

# IT IS ORDERED THAT:

5. By **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 2 October 2019,** the Respondent shall file submissions on each of the additional contentions raised by the Applicant in his filing of 28 August 2019.

(Signed)

Judge Joelle Adda

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September 2019