



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case Nos.: UNDT/NY/2019/060  
UNDT/NY/2019/070  
Order No.: 160 (NY/2019)  
Date: 12 November 2019  
Original: English

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**Before:** Judge Francis Belle  
**Registry:** New York  
**Registrar:** Nerea Suero Fontecha

BELSITO

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

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**ORDER**

**ON CASE MANAGEMENT**

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**Counsel for Applicant:**

Mr. George G. Irving

**Counsel for Respondent:**

Ms. Melissa Bullen, UN Women

Ms. Mylene Spence, UN Women

## **Introduction**

1. This order relates to two related applications filed by the Applicant, the former UN Women Country Representative in Albania. The applications relate to the selection process for the D-1 post of UN Women Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia and are registered under Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/070 and UNDT/NY/2019/060.

2. The Applicant requested that the two cases be consolidated as they both concern the selection process for the same position, however, the Respondent raised objection to the request.

3. On 8 November 2019, the Respondent filed a submission pursuant to Order No. 153 (NY/2019) dated 1 November 2019, confirming that the Respondent no longer objects to the Applicant's motion for consolidation of the two related cases. The Respondent further filed additional documentation as requested by the Tribunal.

4. Given the common factual background to Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/070 and Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/060, the Tribunal considers that it would be in the interests of justice and judicial economy to consolidate these cases through an order for combined proceedings.

5. Having reviewed the parties' submissions, the Tribunal considers that the matter may be decided on the papers before it once the parties have filed their closing submissions.

6. Pursuant to art. 19 of the Dispute Tribunal's Rules of Procedure and for a fair disposal of the case,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

7. Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/070 and Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/060 are consolidated.

8. By **10:00 a.m., on Monday, 18 November 2019**, the parties are to file a jointly signed statement stating whether they agree for the case to be decided on the papers, or in the case the parties request a hearing for witnesses to provide testimony to support any disputed facts or any other issue. In the case the parties request a hearing, they are to provide: (a) a list of the witnesses that each party proposes to call; and (b) a brief statement or summary of the issue and/or disputed fact(s) to be addressed by each witness.

9. If the parties do not request a hearing, they shall submit their closing submissions by **10:00 a.m. on Monday, 2 December 2019**. The Tribunal will then proceed to decide the case on the papers before it.

*(Signed)*

Judge Francis Belle

Dated this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019