



Before: Duty Judge
Registry: New York
Registrar: Nerea Suero Fontecha

PIRAS

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER

ON CASE MANAGEMENT

Counsel for Applicant:
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Counsel for Respondent:
Jérôme Blanchard, UNOG

Introduction

1. On 29 March 2021, the Applicant filed an application to contest the decision to reject his compensation claim under Appendix D to the Staff Rules and Regulations.

2. On 13 April 2021, the Tribunal granted the Respondent's request for extension of deadline to file the reply until 12 May 2021.

3. On 11 May 2021, the parties filed a joint motion for extension of time to file the Respondent's reply until 12 July 2021. The parties informed the Tribunal that the Applicant's claim under Appendix D will be reviewed by the Advisory Board on Compensation Claims at its next session on 14 May 2021 and that it will take approximately three weeks for a decision on the Applicant's claim to be conveyed to him. The parties added that at the end of the review, most of the Applicant's claims might be resolved.

Consideration

4. Having reviewed the parties' joint motion, the Tribunal finds that it is in the interest of justice to grant the request for extension to file his reply.

5. The Tribunal also invites both parties to consider resolving the matter amicably. In the Tribunal's view, the type of issues raised in this case may be resolved amicably, without a protracted litigation process. Since the inception of the current system of internal justice, the General Assembly has consistently encouraged that work-related grievances be resolved informally because such outcome saves the parties, as well as the Organization, valuable time and resources and inspires a more harmonious working environment.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

6. The parties' joint motion is granted, and the Respondent shall file his reply by **4:00 p.m. on Monday, 12 July 2021.**

(Signed)

Judge Joelle Adda

Dated this 11th day of May 2021