Case No.: UNDT/NY/2021/010

Order No.: 102 (NY/2021)
Date: 1 November 2021

Original: English

Before: Judge Joelle Adda

Registry: New York

Registrar: Nerea Suero Fontecha

PIRAS

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER

ON CASE MANAGEMENT

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Introduction

1. In accordance with Order No. 96 (NY/2021) dated 22 October 2021, the parties made a joint submission on 29 October 2021, clarifying what the remaining issue is in this case.

Consideration

- 2. In the joint submission, the parties submit that while the originally contested decision was superseded by a fresh decision and that the Applicant was awarded compensation under Appendix D to the Staff Rules and Regulations ("Appendix D"), the Applicant is still contesting the Administration's failure to grant him any interests or compensation for the delay, which he contested in the application. Therefore, the Applicant submitted a management evaluation request on 29 September 2021 to contest the lack of compensation for the delay. The parties further submit that at the same time, they are exploring a possibility to settle the remaining issue amicably.
- 3. In light of the new development, the Applicant seeks to amend the application concerning the remaining issue of the compensation for the delay.
- 4. However, given that the issue concerning the compensation for the delay is pending management evaluation, the Tribunal is of the view that it is not in the interest of justice to continue the litigation in this case when the outcome of the management evaluation will supersede the contested administrative decision or, at the very least, alter the facts under review in the case. Further, should the Applicant decide to contest the decision resulting from the management evaluation currently underway, he will have to submit a new application challenging the resulting decision.
- 5. Therefore, the Tribunal considers that it would be more efficient to suspend the present case pending the result of the ongoing management evaluation. This notwithstanding, the Tribunal will hear any objections that the parties may have to a suspension of the current proceedings.

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6. In light of the above,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

7. By **4:00 p.m. on Monday, 8 November 2021**, the parties will make a submission stating any objection they may have to the suspension of the current proceedings as stated above.

(Signed)

Judge Joelle Adda

Dated this 1st day of November 2021