



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

CHERNOV

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER

ON CASE MANAGEMENT

Counsel for Applicant:
Omar Yousef Shehabi, OSLA

Counsel for Respondent:
Yehuda Goor, ALD/OHR, UN Secretariat

Introduction

1. On 1 June 2021, the Applicant, a staff member at the United Nations Secretariat in New York, filed an application to contest the Administration's decision that he is not entitled to payment for boarding expenses for his dependent child under the special education grant scheme.

2. On 1 July 2021, the Respondent filed the reply stating that the application has no merit.

Consideration

3. Along with the application, the Applicant requests the production of all communications relating to the processing of his special education grant claim for his dependent child and all policy, protocol, or practice relating to the implementation of the education grant scheme or special education grant scheme.

4. In the reply, the Respondent submits that the Applicant's request should be rejected as the requested documents are irrelevant and unnecessary for a fair disposal of the case.

5. The Tribunal notes that the applicable staff regulations and rules and the administrative instructions that the Administration applied to render the contested decision are all publicly available. The Tribunal also notes that the reasons for the contested decision are set out in the response to the Applicant's management evaluation request dated 3 March 2021.

6. Therefore, the Tribunal decides that it does not require any additional documents that the Applicant requested and thereby rejects his request.

7. Accordingly, the Tribunal will proceed to adjudicate the case based on the papers before it.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

8. By **4:00 p.m. on Monday, 14 February 2022**, the Applicant shall file his statement responding to the Respondent's reply, which is solely to be based on the submissions and evidence on record. The statement shall not exceed five pages, using Times New Roman, font 12 and 1.5 line spacing.
9. Thereafter, the Tribunal will decide the case based on the papers before it.

(Signed)

Judge Joelle Adda

Dated this 27th day of January 2022