



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NY/2023/042  
Order No.: 116 (NY/2024)  
Date: 22 November 2024  
Original: English

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**Before:** Judge Francis Belle

**Registry:** New York

**Registrar:** Isaac Endeley

HERRERA

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

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**ORDER  
ON CASE MANAGEMENT**

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**Counsel for Applicant:**  
Self-represented

**Counsel for Respondent:**  
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Sandra Lando, UNHCR

## **Introduction**

1. On 12 November 2023, the Applicant, a former staff member with the United Nations Refugee Agency (“UNHCR”), filed an application contesting the decisions to place him on administrative leave without pay (“ALWOP”) on 5 July 2023 and to extend it on 1 September 2023.
2. On 12 December 2023, the Respondent filed his reply contending that the application is only partially receivable, and that it is without merit. The Respondent submitted that the decision to place the Applicant on ALWOP was lawful.
3. Pursuant to Order No. 015 (NY/2024) dated 7 February 2024, the Applicant filed a rejoinder to the Respondent’s reply on 8 May 2024.
4. On 25 October 2024, the case was assigned to the undersigned Judge.

## **Consideration**

5. Pursuant to art. 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Dispute Tribunal, the Tribunal may at any time issue any order or give any direction which appears to be appropriate for the fair and expeditious disposal of a case and to do justice to the parties.
6. Having examined the parties’ submissions, the Tribunal considers that it is fully briefed on the matter and is ready to adjudicate the case.
7. In light of the foregoing,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

8. By **4:00 p.m. on Friday, 6 December 2024**, the parties are to file their respective closing statements, at a maximum length of five pages, using font Times New Roman, font size 12 and 1.5 line spacing.

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9. Unless otherwise ordered, upon receipt of the above submissions or at the expiration of the deadline, the Tribunal will proceed to adjudicate the case on the papers before it.

*(Signed)*

Judge Francis Belle

Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2024

Entered in the Register on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2024

*(Signed)*

Isaac Endeley, Registrar, New York