



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2020/037
Order No.: 169 (NBI/2020)
Date: 2 September 2020
Original: English

Before: Judge Eleanor Donaldson-Honeywell
Registry: Nairobi
Registrar: Abena Kwakye-Berko

ABDALLA

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER TO DISPOSE

Counsel for the Applicant:
Ron Mponda

Respondent:
UNHCR

Introduction

1. The Applicant served as an Assistant Protection Officer with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). He held a fixed-term appointment as a National Officer at step 8, and was based in Khartoum, Sudan.

The Motion and Procedural History

2. On 22 May 2020, the Applicant moved the Tribunal to grant him leave to file his substantive application beyond the statutory 90-day limit. The Applicant submits that his movement is currently restricted and he faces frequent power and internet outages stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic. He has retained the services of counsel, based in Malawi, whom he is having difficulty communicating with, whose movement and access to the necessary facilities is likewise restricted.

3. He submits that an additional two months, assuming restriction are eased, will enable him to file his application.

4. On 28 May 2020, the Tribunal issued Order No. 103 (NBI/2020) granting the Applicant's motion for more time to file his application. The Applicant was directed to file his application by 24 July 2020.

5. He has not complied with the Tribunal's direction.

Orders

6. The Tribunal authorizes the Registry to record UNDT/NBI/2020/037 as disposed without application.

(Signed)

Judge Eleanor Donaldson-Honeywell

Dated this 2nd day of September 2020

Entered in the Register on this 2nd day of September 2020

(Signed)

Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi