

UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL D'APPEL DES NATIONS UNIES

Case No. 2013-508

El-Khalek

(Respondent)

v.

Commissioner-General
of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency
for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
(Applicant)

ORDER No. 155 (2013)

- 1. The Dispute Tribunal of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA DT and UNRWA, respectively) issued Judgment No. UNRWA/DT/2013/022 in the case of *Khaleq v. Commissioner-General of UNRWA*¹ on 29 May 2013.
- 2. On 24 July 2013, the Commissioner-General filed a Motion with the United Nations Appeals Tribunal, seeking leave to file an appeal of up to 25 pages. He submits that it is not feasible to adequately and meaningfully address the relevant factual and legal issues of the case within the statutory limit of 15 pages. He cites this Tribunal's Order No. 126 in support of his request for an increase of the page limit to 25 pages. ²
- 3. I have reviewed the parties' submissions, but am not persuaded that the present case is so complicated and exceptional as to justify a departure from the norm. In my view, the present case can be distinguished from *Tadonki*, in which the judgment under appeal exceeded 100 pages, and it is feasible to fully appeal the UNRWA DT Judgment within the statutorily prescribed 15 pages.

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¹ The Appeals Tribunal adopts the English spelling of "El-Khalek" that Mr. El-Khalek uses as his last name.

² Tadonki v. Secretary-General of the United Nations, Order No. 126 (2013).

4. In view of the fact that the time limit for filing an appeal of Judgment No. UNRWA/DT/2013/022 has now expired, I have also decided to grant five additional working days to the Commissioner-General to perfect and file an appeal within the normal 15-page limit. His appeal is due on 4 September 2013.

Original and Authoritative Version: English

Dated 28th day of August 2013 in London, United Kingdom.

(Signed) Judge Richard Lussick, Duty Judge

Entered in the Register on this 28th day of August 2013 in New York, United States.

(*Signed*) Weicheng Lin, Registrar