Case No.: UNDT/GVA/2024/026

Order No.: 6 (GVA/2025)

Date: 11 February 2025

Original: English

Before: Judge Francesco Buffa

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: Liliana López Bello

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v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

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Self-represented

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Introduction

1. The Applicant, an Emergency Coordinator with the United Nations Children's Fund ("UNICEF") in the Bosnia and Herzegovina Country Office ("BiH CO"), filed an application contesting his non-selection for the position of Health and Nutrition Specialist, UNICEF, advertised in Inspira through Job Opening No. 82841 ("the JO").

- 2. On 31 July 2024, the Respondent filed his reply challenging, *inter alia*, the receivability of the application.
- 3. By Order No. 124 (GVA/2024) of 1 October 2024, the Tribunal instructed the Applicant to file a rejoinder and the parties to consider resolving this case amicably.
- 4. On 10 October 2024, the parties filed a joint submission informing the Tribunal that they were unable to amicably achieve a resolution of the matter and requesting the litigation to proceed.
- 5. On 13 October 2024, the Applicant filed his rejoinder.
- 6. On 1 February 2025, this case was assigned to the undersigned Judge.

Consideration

- 7. Having reviewed the evidence on record and the parties' submissions to date, the Tribunal considers itself sufficiently informed to render its judgment without the need for additional disclosure of evidence or the holding of a hearing on the merits.
- 8. Pursuant to art. 19 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure, and for the fair disposal of the case, the parties will be instructed to file their respective closing submission of no more than five pages. Upon the filing of closing submissions, the Tribunal will move forward with adjudicating the case.

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Conclusion

9. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT the parties shall file their respective closing submission, as per para. 8 above, by **Wednesday**, **26 February 2025**, which shall exclusively refer to the evidence already on file.

(Signed)

Judge Francesco Buffa

Dated this 11th day of February 2025

Entered in the Register on this 11th day of February 2025 (*Signed*)
Liliana López Bello, Registrar, Geneva