Case No.: UNDT/GVA/2024/001

Order No.: 15 (GVA/2025)

Date: 24 February 2025

Original: English

**Before:** Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: Liliana López Bello

**OPPAL** 

v.

# SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

## ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

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#### Introduction

1. By application filed on 31 December 2023, the Applicant contests his non-selection for the position of Chief Finance and Budget Officer (P-4) with the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA), advertised under a Recruit-From-Roster Job Opening No. 198446.

2. On 1 February 2024, the Respondent filed his reply.

3. By Order No. 26 (GVA/2024) of 26 March 2024, the Tribunal directed the Applicant to file comments on the Respondent's reply (i.e., a rejoinder) by 25 April 2024, and the parties to explore resolving the dispute amicably, instructing them to revert to the Tribunal in this respect by 2 May 2024.

4. On 14 April 2024, the Applicant submitted a statement regarding his alleged financial loss as a result of the contested decision.

5. On 2 May 2024, the parties filed a joint motion informing the Tribunal that they had not been able to amicably resolve the dispute.

#### Consideration

6. 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.

7. 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. Upon their filing, the Tribunal will move forward with adjudicating the case.

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### **Conclusion**

- 8. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT:
  - a. **By Friday, 7 March 2025**, the parties shall file their respective closing submission; and
  - b. The submissions shall not exceed **five pages**, using Times New Roman, font size 12 pts and 1.5 line spacing.

(Signed)

Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025

Entered in the Register on this 24<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025 (*Signed*)

Mariana D. U. Barreto, Legal Officer, for Liliana López Bello, Registrar, Geneva