



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NBI/2019/131
Order No.: 143 (NBI/2019)
Date: 19 September 2019
Original: English

Before: Judge Agnieszka Klonowiecka-Milart
Registry: Nairobi
Registrar: Abena Kwakye-Berko

HANDY

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER ON SUSPENSION OF
PROCEEDINGS PENDING
INFORMAL RESOLUTION ATTEMPT**

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Introduction

1. The Applicant is a Political Affairs Officer at the P-4 level, working with the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilisation Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA).¹
2. On 16 August 2019, the Applicant filed an application with the United Nations Dispute Tribunal contesting the decision to permanently withdraw his MINUSCA driver's permit.²
3. The deadline for the Respondent to file a reply is 20 September 2019.
4. On 17 September 2019, the parties filed a joint motion informing the Tribunal that in the context of the management evaluation process, they are currently engaged in good faith discussions with a view to informally resolving the matter. Accordingly, the parties are requesting for suspension of proceedings and the extension of the deadline for the Respondent to file a reply until 4 October 2019 pending settlement negotiations.³

DIRECTIONS.

5. The Tribunal makes the following **ORDERS**:
 - i. The proceedings before the Tribunal in this matter are suspended until **4 October 2019** for the purposes of allowing the parties to informally resolve the dispute;
 - ii. If a settlement agreement is reached within this period, the parties shall inform the Tribunal accordingly without delay, and the Applicant shall subsequently confirm to the Tribunal, in writing, that his application is withdrawn, or

¹ Application, section I

² Application, section III

³ Joint motion to suspend proceedings

- iii. If no settlement can be reached within the prescribed period, the parties shall inform the Tribunal, which will resume the proceedings in the matter.
- iv. The deadline for the Respondent to file the reply is extended to **5:00 p.m.** on 4 October 2019.

(Signed)

Judge Agnieszka Klonowiecka-Milart
Dated this 19th day of September 2019

Entered in the Register on this 19th day of September 2019

(Signed)

Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi