



Before: Duty Judge
Registry: Nairobi
Registrar: Wanda L. Carter

SCEPANOVIC

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER ON THE RESPONDENT'S MOTION
FOR COMPLIANCE WITH PRACTICE
DIRECTION NO. 4**

Counsel for Applicant:

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Counsel for Respondent:

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Introduction

1. The Applicant separated from the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA) on 1 June 2024.

Procedural History and Submissions

2. On 15 April 2025, the Applicant filed an application before the United Nations Dispute Tribunal sitting in Nairobi to challenge the Respondent's final medical determination pursuant to ST/AI/2019/1 (Resolution of disputes relating to medical determinations).

3. On 29 April 2025, the Respondent moved the court to (i) order the Applicant to file an amended application within the terms stipulated in the United Nations Dispute Tribunal Practice Direction No. 4, and (ii) revise the deadline for the filing of his reply to 30 calendar days from the service of the revised application.

4. The Respondent takes issue with the fact that the Applicant did not respect the page limit set forth in Practice Direction No. 4 nor sought leave to exceed it.

Considerations

5. Article 6 of the Tribunal's Practice Direction 4 on Filing of Applications and Replies, stipulates that an application should not exceed 10 pages, in font Times New Roman, font size 12, line spacing of 1.5 lines.

6. The application, as it stands, is 25 pages long.

7. The Applicant in this case has not sought leave to exceed the page limit nor explained why a waiver might be warranted. He has, in effect, ignored the Practice Direction altogether.

ORDER

8. The Respondent's motion is GRANTED.

9. The Applicant is directed to revise his application to comply with the terms set forth in art. 6 of the Tribunal's Practice Direction 4 on Filing of Applications

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and Replies. The cover page and the page containing the list of annexes and signatures shall not be included in counting the number of pages.

(Signed)

Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Dated this 7th day of May2025

Entered in the Register on this 7th day of May2025

(Signed)

Wanda L. Carter, Registrar, Nairobi