



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case Nos.: UNDT/NY/2019/088  
UNDT/NY/2020/017  
UNDT/NY/2020/029  
Order No.: 182 (NY/2020)  
Date: 11 November 2020  
Original: English

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**Before:** Judge Alexander W. Hunter, Jr.

**Registry:** New York

**Registrar:** Nerea Suero Fontecha

DEUPMANN

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

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**ORDER**

**ON CASE MANAGEMENT**

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## **Introduction**

1. On 1 November 2019, the Applicant, a staff member with the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity based in Montreal, Canada, filed an application to contest the decision to consider the ‘Accessory Services – Specialized Technology Services’ fees as inadmissible expenses for payment of the education grant for the school year 2017-2018 for his two children (Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/088).
2. On 2 April 2020, the Applicant filed an application to contest the decision to consider the ‘Accessory Services – Specialized Technology Services’ and ‘Accessory Services – Student Supplies’ fees as inadmissible expenses for payment of the education grant for the school year 2018-2019 for his two children (Case No. UNDT/NY/2020/017).
3. On 30 June 2020, the Applicant filed an application to contest the decision to consider the ‘Accessory Services – Extra-curricular and co-curricular services’ fees as inadmissible expenses for payment of the education grant for the school year 2018-2019 for his two children (Case No. UNDT/NY/2020/029).
4. On 5 November 2020, the above-mentioned three cases were assigned to the undersigned Judge.

## **Consideration**

5. These three cases involve a similar issue raised by the same Applicant. Therefore, the Tribunal decides to handle them jointly.
6. Having reviewed the parties’ submissions, the Tribunal considers that the cases are ready for adjudication and can be decided based on the papers before it.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

7. By **4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 25 November 2020**, the Applicant is to file his statement responding to the Respondent's reply in all three cases, which is solely to be based on the submissions and evidence on record. The statement is to be five pages maximum, using Times New Roman, font 12 and 1.5 line spacing.
8. Thereafter, the Tribunal will decide the case based on the papers before it.

*(Signed)*

Judge Alexander W. Hunter, Jr.

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020