



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NY/2024/033
Order No.: 60 (NY/2025)
Date: 7 July 2025
Original: English

Before: Judge Solomon Areda Waktolla

Registry: New York

Registrar: Isaac Endeley

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v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER
ON CASE MANAGEMENT

Counsel for Applicant:

Amina Umar

Counsel for Respondent:

Elizabeth Gall, BMS/OLS, UNDP

Introduction

1. By application filed on 26 July 2024, the Applicant, a former Local Security Assistant with the United Nations Development Programme (“UNDP”) in Monguno, Borno State, Nigeria, contests the decision to separate him from service with compensation *in lieu* of notice and without termination indemnity.
2. On 28 August 2024, the Respondent filed a reply in which he contends that the application has no merit.
3. In compliance with the Tribunal’s Order No. 105 (NY/2024) dated 14 October 2024, the parties jointly filed consolidated lists of agreed and disputed facts on 21 November 2024.
4. In a separate submission on 21 November 2024, Counsel for the Respondent also indicated that she did not intend to adduce any additional documentary evidence or to call any witnesses.
5. Counsel for the Applicant did not make any submission in that regard.
6. The case was assigned to the undersigned Judge on 26 June 2025.

Considerations

7. Pursuant to art. 19 of the Rules of Procedure of the Dispute Tribunal, the Tribunal may at any time issue any order or give any direction which appears to be appropriate for the fair and expeditious disposal of a case and to do justice to the parties.
8. Having carefully examined the parties’ submissions, the Tribunal considers it necessary to have a case management discussion (“CMD”) in order to determine the next steps in these proceedings.
9. On the Tribunal’s instructions, the Registry has already confirmed the availability of both Counsel to attend the CMD.

10. In light of the above,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

11. A CMD will be held in the present case at **9:00 a.m. New York time on Monday, 14 July 2025**. The purpose of the CMD will be to:

- a. identify the main issues for adjudication;
- b. decide whether a hearing is needed;
- c. agree on the witnesses to be heard;
- d. set the dates and schedule of the hearing;
- e. identify any further documentary evidence that may be required; and
- f. discuss any other relevant issues.

12. At the conclusion of the CMD, the Tribunal will issue relevant instructions for further case management.

(Signed)

Judge Solomon Areda Waktolla

Dated this 7th day of July 2025

Entered in the Register on this 7th day of July 2025

(Signed)

Isaac Endeley, Registrar, New York