Case No.: UNDT/GVA/2023/013

Order No.: 67 (GVA/2023)
Date: 4 July 2023

Original: English

Before: Duty Judge

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: René M. Vargas M.

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v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON CASE MANAGEMENT

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Introduction

1. By application filed on 9 March 2023, the Applicant, a Senior Staff Assistant

with the United Nations Register of Damage at the United Nations Office at Vienna,

contests the decision to impose on her the disciplinary measures of written censure,

loss of two steps in grade, and deferment for two years of eligibility for salary

increment, per Staff Rules 10.2(a)(i), (ii) and (iii). On the same day, the Applicant

filed a motion to exceed the page limit.

2. On 20 April 2023, the Respondent filed his reply.

3. By Order No. 53 (GVA/2023) of 26 May 2023, the Tribunal granted the

Applicant's motion to exceed the page limit, instructed the Applicant to file a

rejoinder, and directed the parties to explore resolving the dispute amicably asking

them to revert to it in this respect by Friday, 7 July 2023.

4. On 30 June 2023, the Applicant filed a rejoinder and a motion for an extension

of time to inform the Tribunal whether the matter might be resolved amicably.

Consideration

5. In his motion, Counsel for the Applicant informs the Tribunal that since he

will be on annual leave from 4 to 7 July 2023, he requests an extension of time until

14 July 2023 to explore the possibility of having the dispute resolved amicably. He

also informs the Tribunal that Counsel for the Respondent supports the request.

6. Under such circumstances and in accordance with art. 19 of the Tribunal's

Rules of Procedure, the Tribunal decides to grant the Applicant's motion.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

7. The parties shall explore resolving the dispute amicably and revert to the

Tribunal in this respect by Friday, 14 July 2023.

(Signed)

Judge Margaret Tibulya (Duty Judge)

Dated this 4th day of July 2023

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Entered in the Register on this 4th day of July 2023 (*Signed*)

René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva