



Before: Duty Judge

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: René M. Vargas M.

AMBOGA-RIMMELE

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER
ON CASE MANAGEMENT**

Counsel for Applicant:

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Introduction

1. By application filed on 28 June 2023, the Applicant contests his non-selection for the positions of Political Affairs Officer in the Bamyan and Kandahar Offices, United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan, advertised under Recruit-from-Roster Job Opening 198309.
2. On 3 July 2023, the application was served on the Respondent.
3. On 21 July 2023, the parties filed a joint motion to suspend proceedings pending their ongoing discussions to settle the matter informally.
4. By Order No. 82 (GVA/2023) of 24 July 2023, the Tribunal granted the parties' joint motion and *inter alia* suspended proceedings until 21 August 2023.
5. On 22 August 2023, the parties filed another joint motion requesting *inter alia* the further suspension of proceedings until 22 September 2023.

Consideration

6. In support of their joint motion, the parties submit that they have reached an agreement in principle but will need additional time to conclude a settlement. Consequently, they request a further 30-day suspension of the proceedings, until 22 September 2023, and an extension of the deadline for filing the Respondent's reply until 2 October 2023 should a settlement not be reached.
7. Recalling that the General Assembly has consistently encouraged alternative dispute resolution and taking note of the above, the Tribunal commends the parties for their settlement efforts.
8. Guided by arts. 15.3, 15.4 and 15.5 of its Rules of Procedure, the Tribunal finds that it is in the interest of justice to grant the parties' joint motion to give them sufficient time to reach a settlement.

Conclusion

9. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT:

- a. The proceedings before the Tribunal in this matter be further suspended during the parties' informal settlement discussions until **Friday, 22 September 2023**; and
- b. If a mediation agreement is reached within this period, the parties shall inform the Tribunal accordingly without delay, and the Applicant shall confirm to the Tribunal, in writing, that her application is withdrawn; or
- c. If no settlement agreement can be reached within the prescribed period, the parties shall inform the Tribunal, and the Respondent shall file his reply by **Monday, 2 October 2023**.

(Signed)

Judge Sun Xiangzhuang (Duty Judge)

Dated this 22nd day of August 2023

Entered in the Register on this 22nd day of August 2023

(Signed)

René M. Vargas M., Registrar, Geneva