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**UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL  
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Case No. 2012-327

**Powell (Respondent/Applicant)**

**v.**

**Secretary-General of the United Nations**

**(Appellant/Respondent)**

**ORDER No. 96 (2012)**



6. On 2 August 2012, the Registry transmitted Mr. Powell's motion for an extension or waiver to the Secretary-General.

7. On 3 August 2012, the Secretary-General confirmed that he had received Mr. Powell's answer on 27 July 2012 and that he had no comments regarding the merits of Mr. Powell's motion.

8. Pursuant Article 30 of the Rules of Procedure, "the President or the panel hearing a case may shorten or extend the time limit fixed by the rules of procedure or waive any rule when the interests of justice so require."

9. The Appeals Tribunal has consistently held that it strictly enforces the various time limits under its Statute and Rules.<sup>1</sup> Having carefully considered Mr. Powell's motion, I find no merit in his request. Oversight by counsel does not justify a waiver of statutory time limits.

10. For the foregoing reason, I reject Mr. Powell's motion.

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Dated 9<sup>th</sup> day of August 2012 in Montevideo,  
Uruguay.

(Signed)  
Judge Luis María Simón, President

Entered in the Register on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August  
2012 in New York, United States.

(Signed)  
Weicheng Lin, Registrar

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<sup>1</sup> *Mezoui v. Secretary-General of the United Nations*, Judgment No. 2010-UNAT-043, 1 July 2010.