



4. Article 17(2) of the Appeals Tribunal Rules of Procedure provides that the Appeals Tribunal may allow the filing of a friend-of-the court brief when it “would assist the Appeals Tribunal in its deliberations”. The Appeals Tribunal denies the present application to file a friend-of-the-court brief; it would not assist the Tribunal in determining whether the Dispute Tribunal erred in finding the staff members’ applications were not receivable.