



UNITED NATIONS APPEALS TRIBUNAL TRIBUNAL D'APPEL DES NATIONS UNIES

Case Nos. 2023-1816 & 2023-1817

Hakam Mohammad Shah wan

(Respondent/ Appellant)

v.

Commissioner -General

of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for

Palestine Refugees in the Near East

(Appellant/ Respondent)

ORDER No. 544 (20 23)

1. On 27 April 2023, the Dispute Tribunal of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA DT and UNRWA or Agency, respectively) issued Judgment No. UNRWA/DT/20 23/018 (UNRWA DT Judgment) in the case of Shahwan v. Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, disposing of three separate applications. The UNRWA DT i) ordered that the Commissioner-General remove a note that had been placed in Mr. Hakam Mohammad Shahwan's Official Status File and awarded legal costs; ii) found the application not to approve his sick leave request not receivable; and iii) rescinded the decision not to provide Mr. Shahwan with performance evaluations for 2018, 2019, and 2020, ordered that he be issued a Certificate of Service, and awarded legal costs.

2. On 23 June 2023, the Commissioner-General filed an appeal of the UNRWA DT Judgment. On 23 August 2023, Mr. Hakam Mohammad Shahwan filed his answer. This case was registered as Case No. 2023-1816.

3. On 24 June 2023, Mr. Shahwan filed an appeal of the same UNRWA DT Judgment. On 29 August 2023, the Commissioner-General filed his answer. This case was registered as Case No. 2023-1817.

4. Under Article 18bis(1) of the Appeals Tribunal Rules of Procedure, “[t]he President may, at any time, either on a motion of a party or on his or her own volition, issue any order which appears to be appropriate for the fair and expeditious management of the case and to do justice to the parties”.

5. Because the two appeals before us challenge the same URWA DT Judgment, it is “appropriate for the fair and expeditious management of the case[s] and to do justice to the parties” to consolidate them for all purposes.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the appeals filed in Case Nos. 2023-1816 and 2023-1817 should be consolidated for all purposes.

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Decision dated this 17th day of November 2023
in Vancouver, Canada.

(Signed)
Judge Kanwaldeep Sandhu,
President

Order published and entered in the Register on this
20th day of November 2023 in New York, United States.

(Signed)
Juliet E. Johnson,
Registrar