

## **United Nations Dispute Tribunal**

Case No.:
Judgment No.:

Date: English Original:

iginal: French

UNDT/GVA/2009/24 UNDT/2009/042 16 October 2009

## **Application**

- 1. In his appeal to the Joint Appeals Board in Geneva, registered on 22 December 2008, the applicant requested it to recommend that:
  - The decision of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees regarding promotions to the P-5 level during the 2007 promotion session

## Judgment

- 8. After being summoned to a hearing by letter of 26 August 2009, the applicant requested, on several occasions, including in his last letter of 23 September 2009, that the hearing scheduled for 24 September 2009 should be postponed until his health permitted him to attend. When faced with such a request, the judge has to decide whether the applicant's presence at the hearing would contribute to the effective administration of justice.
- 9. Article 10 of the rules of procedure of the Geneva Joint Appeals Board reads as follows:
  - "1. An incomplete statement of appeal will be accepted by the secretariat as evidence of an attempt to comply with the time limits stipulated in Staff Rule 111.2 (a). Upon receipt of an incomplete statement, the secretariat will request