Introduction

1. The Applicant held a permanent appointment with the United Nations, and was deployed in Mogadishu, Somalia, as Chief, Vehicles Plant and Equipment Services for the United Nations Support Office in Somalia (UNSOS) at the P-5 level until his separation on 30 November 2016.

Procedural History

2. On 30 November 2016, the Applicant filed two applications before this Tribunal. One was to retire him at the age of 60 instead of 62. The second application sought a suspension of action under art. 14 of the UNDT Rules of Procedure in respect of a decision to separate him from service on the same day.

3. The Management Evaluation Unit (MEU) had upheld the impugned decision of the Respondent on 15 November 2016.

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strict adherence to filing deadlines.¹ If the request for management evaluation is time-barred, the application before the UNDT is not receivable because the UNDT Statute forbids the waiving of time limits for management evaluation.² UNAT also affirms that an untimely request for management evaluation bars applications before the Tribunal even if management evaluation was actually received.³ The question before the Tribunal therefore is whether or not the Applicant sought management evaluation within the stipulated timelines, so as to make his