Case No.: UNDT/NY/2017/056

Judgment No.: UNDT/2019/026

Date: 21 February 2019

Original: English

**Before:** Judge Ebrahim-Carstens

UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

**Registry:** New York

Registrar:

## Introduction

On 16 June 2017, the Applicant, a Conference Interpreter at the P-4 level with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, filed an application in which she contested the decision of the Administration to reduce [her] contracted salary and the manner of the . . As a remedy, the Applicant requested that the administrative decision to reduce her salary be rescinded, and that she receive the outstanding backdated pay accordingly . As part of the application, the Applicant requested . This case forms part of a group of cases commonly referred to as the salary scale cases that were filed before the undersigned Judge.

- 2. On 17 July 2017, the Respondent filed the reply. He submitted that the application is not receivable and that, in any event, the impugned decision was lawful.
- 3. By Order No. 120 (NY/2018) dated 7 June 2018, the Tribunal instructed the parties to file a jointly signed submission by 12 June 2018 in which they were to inform the Tribunal of their views on whether reading all the salary scale cases before the undersigned Judge:
  - a. It would beneficial to consolidate the proceedings of, at least some of, the present cases. If so, the parties are to outline and list the categories of cases that may appropriately be handled together;
  - b. If, as a matter of judicial economy, it would be appropriate to order a stay of proceedings in any of the possible categories of cases until the Appeals Tribunal has issued its judgment(s) in some similar cases that are currently pending before it.
- 4. On 12 June 2018, the parties filed a joint submission as per Order No. 120 (NY/2018), listing the salary scale