UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.:

UNDT/NBI/2023/067

Order No.: Date: 171 (NBI/2023)

Original:

29 November 2023 English

Before: Duty Judge

Registry: Nairobi

Registrar: René M. Vargas M., Officer-in-Charge

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v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER ON THE APPLICANT'S MOTION FOR ANONYMITY

Counsel for the Applicant:

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Introduction

1. On 6 September 2023, the Applicant, a Close Protection Officer, FS-5, filed an application before the Dispute Tribunal contesting what he describes as "placement on weapons restriction and arbitrary extension of restrictions". In his application (para. 10), the Applicant requests that his name be anonymized in all publications by the Tribunal given the "sensitive nature of the issues in this case, allegations of substance abuse, and their potential implications for [his] personal and professional reputation".

2. The Respondent filed a reply on 9 October 2023. The Respondent opposes the Applicant's request for anonymity on the grounds that the Applicant has provided no valid reasons for anonymity and that he has stated no exceptional circumstances that warrant departing from the general principles and the well-established jurisprudence.

Consideration

3. As the Tribunal recently held in Castelli UNDT/2023/130, under the