

Case No.: UNDT/NY/2016/025

Order No.: 152 (NY/2016)
Date: 20 June 2016

Original: English

Before: Judge Ebrahim-Carstens

Registry: New York

Registrar: Hafida Lahiouel

NOUINOU

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER

ON WITHDRAWAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR SUSPENSION OF ACTION

Counsel for Applicant:

Self-represented

Counsel for Respondent:

Steven Dietrich, ALS/OHRM, UN Secretariat

Introduction

- 1. On 15 June 2016, the Applicant filed an application for suspension of action pending management evaluation, together with 18 annexes.
- 2. By email the same day, the New York Registry transmitted the application to the Respondent together with the instructions of the undersigned Judge that a reply was to be filed by the Respondent by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, 17 June 2016. In a separate email, the Registry requested that the Applicant refile the annexes to her application so that the names and numbers of the annexes corresponded to the list provided in her application.
- 3. On the same day, the Applicant refiled her original 18 annexes, together with six new annexes. After close of business on the same day, in an email to the Registry, the Applicant informed the Tribunal that she had filed new annexes, stating that she considered them relevant to her application, and requesting that they be accepted.
- 4. By Order No. 144 (NY/2016) dated 16 June 2016, the Tribunal ordered the parties to appear at an urgent Case Management Discussion ("CMD") later that day.
- 5. At the CMD, Counsel for the Respondent informed the Tribunal that a response to the Applicant's 13 June 2016 request for management evaluation had been comf2.29omf2.29omf2.29omf2.29omf2.27

- 6. The Tribunal informed the Applicant of the basic legal test that must be met in order for an application for suspension of action pending management evaluation to succeed, noting, in particular, that such a filing is predicated on the fact that there is a *pending* management evaluation. The Tribunal suggested that the Applicant seek the assistance of the Office of Staff Legal Assistance and consider whether, in the circumstances, the withdrawal of her application would be appropriate. The Tribunal also agreed to extend the deadline for the Respondent to file his reply to the application for suspension of action until 12:30 p.m. on Monday, 20 June 2016.
- 7. On 17 June 2016, the Applicant filed a request to withdraw her application for suspension of action pending management evaluation. In her request for withdrawal,

the application for suspension of action. There is no longer any determination for the Tribunal to make.

Observation

11. The Tribunal notes the Applicant's statement that sh