
UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case Nos.: UNDT/NY/2019/060
UNDT/NY/2019/070
Order No.: 166 (NY/2019)
Date: 20 November 2019
Original: English

Before: Judge Francis Belle
Registry: New York
Registrar: Nerea Suero Fontecha

BELSITO

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER

ON CASE MANAGEMENT

Counsel for Applicant:

Mr. George G. Irving

Counsel for Respondent:

Ms. Melissa Bullen, UN Women

Ms. Mylene Spence, UN Women

Introduction

1. The Applicant, the former UN Women Country Representative in Albania, has two separate applications related to the selection process for the D-1 post of UN Women Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia. The applications are registered under Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/070 and UNDT/NY/2019/060.

2. By Order No. 160 (NY/2019) dated 12 November 2019, the two cases were consolidated into a combined proceeding. In the Order, the Tribunal stated that upon review of the parties' submissions, the Tribunal considered that the matter may be decided on the papers before it once the parties have filed their closing submissions. The Tribunal requested the parties to file a joint submission stating whether they agree for the case to be decided on the papers, or in the case the parties request a hearing for witnesses to provide testimony to support any disputed facts or any other issue providing (a) a list of the witnesses that each party proposes to call and (b) a brief statement or summary of the issue and/or disputed fact(s) to be addressed by each witness.

3. On 18 November 2019, the parties filed a joint submission in which the Applicant requested a hearing in order to hear testimony relevant to Case No. UNDT/2019/070 and requested an order of further documentation from the Respondent. The Applicant stated that he proposes to call Ms. Maria-Noel Vaeza, UN Women Regional Director for Latin America, Mr. Mohammad Naciri, UN Women Regional Director for Asia/Pacific, and Ms. Phumzile Malambo-Ngcuka, Executive Director UN Women as witnesses. The Applicant stated that he himself may be called as a witness in rebuttal to the foregoing testimonies. The Applicant further requested the Tribunal to ensure the attendance of the witnesses, since they are currently officials of UN Women.

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