# UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.:

UNDT/NY/2021/046/T

Order No.:

005 (NY/2022) 11 January 2022

Date: Original:

English

**Before:** Judge Joelle Adda

**Registry:** New York

Registrar: Nerea Suero Fontecha

**SAINT-LOT** 

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

### **ORDER**

ON CASE MANAGEMENT

## **Counsel for Applicant:**

Jorge Diaz-Cueto

### **Counsel for Respondent:**

Matthias Schuster, UNICEF Alister Cumming, UNICEF

- 6. Finally, the Respondent requests that MB be referred to as V01 in the public judgment to avoid any chance of identification.
- 7. The Respondent argues that the requested measures are required to address the witness' concerns, as victim of sexual harassment, regarding the possibility of being required to interact with the Applicant and in order to protect her privacy.
- 8. The Tribunal agrees that the measures requested would alleviate the witness' concerns with respect to recounting the events in dispute in court.
- 9. At the same time, the Applicant will retain his right to follow the proceedings, to see and hear the witness' testimony and to confront the evidence presented against him through his Counsel. Accordingly, the Tribunal is satisfied that requested protective measures are respectful of the Applicant's due process rights.
- 10. In light of the above,

### IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 11. The Respondent's motion is granted;
- 12. The Tribunal will hold a one-day hearing on Wednesday, 26 January 2022 from 09:00 to 11:30 a.m. (New York time) to hear the testimony of witness MB;
- 13. The hearing will be conducted *in camera* (meaning without access of the public);
- 14. Witness MB will be referred to as V01 in the upcoming public judgment in the present case;

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15. The Applicant's camera will remain turned off and his microphone muted for

the entirety of the witness' appearance;

16. The witness' cross-examination will be conducted exclusively by the

Applicant's Counsel;

17. The Head of Legal, UNICEF United Kingdom is permitted to attend the hearing

during the witness testimony but will refrain from participating in the hearing or

interact with the witness during her testimony. Her microphone will remain muted

throughout her attendance;

18. All practical details concerning the organization of the hearing will be

coordinated by the New York Registry.

(Signed)

Judge Joelle Adda

Dated this 11th day of January 2022