



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NY/2023/023

Order No.: 075 (NY/2024)

Date: 2 July 2024

Original: English

**Before:** Judge Margaret Tibulya

**Registry:** New York

**Registrar:** Isaac Endeley

OKETCH

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

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**ORDER**  
**ON CASE MANAGEMENT**

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## **Introduction**

1. On 17 July 2023, the Applicant, a Humanitarian Affairs Officer with the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (“OCHA”) based in New York, filed an application in which he contests his non-selection for “the position of Senior Humanitarian Affairs Officer/Head of OCHA Liaison Office to the African Union”.
2. On 16 August 2023, the Respondent filed a reply in which he contends that the application is without merit.
3. By Order No. 106 (NY/2023) dated 16 October 2023, the Tribunal instructed the parties to file a jointly-signed statement informing the Tribunal whether they agreed to attempt informal resolution. In the event that the parties did not agree to attempt informal resolution, the Applicant was to file a rejoinder.
4. On 6 November 2023, the parties filed a joint submission informing the Tribunal that they had consulted with one another, but an amicable resolution did not appear feasible.
5. On 5 December 2023, the Applicant filed his rejoinder.
6. On 1 April 2024, the case was assigned to the undersigned Judge.
7. On 9 April 2024, a case management discussion (“CMD”) was held virtually via MS Teams to discuss the further proceedings.

## **Considerations**

### *Applicant’s motion on discovery*

8. The Tribunal recalls that at the CMD and in his motion filed on 12 April 2024, the Applicant requested the Tribunal to “direct the Respondent to provide an unredacted copy of correspondence contained in Annex R/3 and all documentation relating to the recruitment, including but not limited to internal transmittal

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15. Unless otherwise ordered, the Tribunal will proceed to render its judgment thereafter.

*(Signed)*

Judge Margaret Tibulya

Dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2024

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