UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Introduction

1. The Applicant is a staff member serving as a Human Resources Assistant at the G-7 level with the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (ECA).

2. In her application filed on 21 September 2016, she challenges the decision not to extend her Special Post Allowance (SPA) even though she performs the higher-level responsibilities of a human resources officer.

3. eply was filed on 2 November 2016.

4. By motion dated 11 January 2017, the Applicant sought leave to respond to the reply so that she could provide clarification on several issues raised by the Respondent. The Applicant submits that she will suffer harm if her motion is not granted.

5. On 12 January 2017, the Tribunal issued Order No. 007 (NBI/2017) granting

11. On 9 August 2018, the Ombudsman informed the Tribunal that parties are still actively involved in mediating this case and applied for more time within which to conclude the settlement discussions.

Directions and Orders

12. The Tribunal commends the parties for their sustained efforts at having this matter resolved without recourse to litigation.

13. The Tribunal GRANTS further suspension of proceedings.

14. Pursuant to art. 10.3 of the Statute of the Tribunal, and art. 19 of the Rules of Procedure, the matter of *Yabowork v Secretary-General of the United Nations* (Case No. UNDT/NBI/2016/071) is hereby further SUSPENDED

15. The parties are DIRECTED to jointly advise the Tribunal of the status of their consultations by 14 September 2018

16. The Parties and/or OMS should advise the Tribunal on the status of mediationby 14 September 2018

(Signed)

Judge Nkemdilim Izuako

Dated this 9th of August 2018

Entered in the Register on this 9th of August 2018

(Signed)

Abena Kwakye-Berko, Registrar, Nairobi