

## Introduction

1. At the time of the contested decision, the Applicant was a Transport Assistant at the G4/10 level working with the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUSCO), based in Entebbe, Uganda.

2. On 20 April 2018, the Applicarfiled an application with the United Nations Dispute Tribunal (UNDT)challenging the decision to abolish his post and terminate his fixed term appointment.

3. The Respondent filed a reply to the application on 24 May 2018.

4. On 14 August 2019, the Tribunal ises UOrder No. 118 (NBI/2019) directing the parties to file further submissions. The Applicant was directed to file his submissions by 11 September 2019 and the Respondent by 30 September 2019.

5. The Applicant complied and filed his submissions on 4 Septe20bler.

6. On 26 September 2019, the parties filed a joint motion imforing the Tribunal that they were engaged ingood faith efforts to informally resolve the dispute. Accordingly, the parties equested for suspension of proceedings for 30 days and the extension of the deadline for the Responder of the response to Order No. 118 (NBI/2019) until 30 October

date for the Respondent's response Order No. 118 (NBI/2019) until 29 November 2019 in the vent that settlement discussions are unsuccessful.

## DIRECTIONS

- 9. The Tribunal makes the followin**Q**RDERS:
  - The proceedings before the Tribunal in this matter are suspended until 29 November 2019 for the purposes of allowing the parties to informally resolve the dispute;
  - ii. If a settlement agreement is reached within this period, the parties shall inform the Tribunal accordingly without delay, and the Applicant shall subsequently confirm to theribunal, in writing, that his application is withdrawn,
  - iii. If no settlement can be reached within the prescribed period, the parties shall inform the Tribunal, which will resume the proceedings in the matter, and
  - iv. The deadline fothe Respondent to file thresponse to Order Nd.18 (NBI/2019) is extended to 00 pm on 29 November 2019.

*(Signed)* JudgeAgnieszka KlonowieckaMilart Datedthis day of 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2019

Entered in the Register on thday of 22nd October 2019

(Signed)

Abena KwakyeBerko, Registrar, Nairobi