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Introduction

1. The Applicant was the Chief Procurement Officer with the African Union/United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur ("UNAMID"). He held a continuing appointment at the P-5 level and was based in El-Fasher, Sudan. He contests the Respondent's decision to deny his claim for Appendix D benefits.

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present" by 1 March 2024. The parties were also strongly encouraged to consider engaging in settlement discussions to resolve this matter

8. On 30 January 2024, the Registry wrote to the parties. On the direction of the Presiding Judge, the Registry wrote:

The Tribunal **strongly** encourages the parties to deploy the necessary effort towards having this matter resolved or with the assistance of the United Nations Office of the Ombudsman and Mediation Services (UNOMS).

The gathering of documents for submission to the Tribunal by 1 March 2024 should proceed apace, while alternative dispute resolution is being explored.

9. On 14 February 2024, the Applicant filed submissions indicating that the Respondent is not open to "pursuing a negotiated settlement" because the ABCC now wishes to review the Applicant's case afresh.

Case management

- 10. The Tribunal has considered the Applicant's submissions and makes the following orders:
 - a. The Respondent is directed to respond to the Applicant's submissions dated13 February 2024 by 22 February 2024; and
 - b. The parties will attend a CMD on **4 March 2024** at 11.00 a.m. (Nairobi time).

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 $\label{eq:Judge Sean Wallace} \mbox{ Dated this } 15^{th} \mbox{ day of February 2024}$

Entered in the Register on this 15^{th} day of February 2024

Eric Muli, Officer-in-Charge, Nairobi