



Before: Judge Ebrahim-Carstens

Registry: New York

Registrar: Hafida Lahiouel, Registrar

GALLO

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

ORDER

ON CASE MANAGEMENT

Counsel for Applicant:

Paul Harris, PC

Counsel for Respondent:

ALS/OHRM, UN Secretariat

internal justice system, envisaged an adequately resourced system of justice, and any resource and other justice delivery issues should be raised with the appropriate authorities.

13. Furthermore, decentralization was one of the primary objectives of the new system of administration of justice, and an applicant is enjoined to file at the appropriate registry of the Dispute Tribunal, “taking into account geographical proximity and any other relevant material considerations” (art. 6 of the Rules of Procedure). To that end, and principally for efficiency, cost effectiveness and logistical purposes, the Dispute Tribunal’s Judges at Plenary decided on a redistribution of the Asia and Pacific cases, from New York to Geneva with effect from 1 July 2014. The Respondent contends that any logistical implications that may arise if counsel is remotely located are addressed by counsel in collaboration with

the Respondent submits that due to matters of confidentiality and privilege, ALS Counsel have to withdraw and HRLU Counsel be designated as Counsel for the Respondent in this case. This of course does not explain why alternative ALS Counsel in New York are unavailable. However in weighing up all the circumstances in this case, the Tribunal accepts the designation, in good faith, of Ms. Cochard and Ms. Nottingham as Respondent's counsel of record and directs that they be granted access by the Registry in New York to the filings in this case, subject to the caveat that any additional costs incurred by the Applicant in the future as a result of inefficient sitting times and proceedings may well become an issue if the matter proceeds to trial.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

15. Ms. Cochard and Ms. Nottingham, as Counsel for the Respondent of record, are to be granted access to all filings in this case by the New York Registry of the Dispute Tribunal.

16. Pursuant to Order No. 62 (NY/2015) dated 10 April 2015, the Respondent is to file a reply by **5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, 26 May 2015.**

(Signed)

Judge Ebrahim-Carstens

Dated this 23rd day of April 2015