



UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

Case No.: UNDT/NY/2015/009

Order No.: 274 (NY/2015)

Date: 23 October 2015

Original: English

Before: Judge Goolam Meeran

Registry: New York

Registrar: Hafida Lahiouel

GAIGBE-TOGBE

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Introduction

1. On 27 February 2015, the Applicant a P-4 level Population Affairs Officer in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (“DESA”), filed an application concerning selection for a P-5 level post.

Case management

2. This case was assigned to the undersigned Judge on 18 September 2015.

3. By Order No. 238 (NY/2015), dated 22 September 2015, the Tribunal directed the parties to attend a case management discussion (“CMD”) on 29 September 2015. Among the issues dealt with at the CMD were: (i) proposed consolidation of this case with another case involving the same selection exercise (Case No. UNDT/NY/2015/008, filed by Mr. Andreev, also a P-4 level Population Affairs Officer); (ii) identification of the core issues in this case; (iii) outstanding document disclosure requests; and (iv) preparation for a hearing on the merits.

4. By Orders No. 232 (NY/2015) and 250 (NY/2015), the Tribunal directed by consent that Cases No. UNDT/NY/2015/008 and No. UNDT/NY/2015/009 be subject to an order for combined proceedings. The Tribunal set the dates for a full merits hearing and directed the parties to file further documents and submissions in preparation for the hearing.

5. On 9 October 2015, the second day of the hearing, Mr. Gaigbe-Togbe requested that the proceedings in his case be stayed. The Tribunal made an *ex tempore* order granting his request. By Orders No. 265 and 266 (NY/2015), dated 12 October 2015, the Tribunal directed that the proceedings in Cases

No. UNDT/NY/2015/008 and No. UNDT/NY/2015/009 be severed and each case be subject to separate consideration and disposal.

6. Further, by Order No. 265 (NY/2015), the parties in Case No.