Introduction

1. By Order No. 099 (NY/2024) dated 3 October 2024, the Tribunal ordered the parties "to confer with a view to resolving the matters in this case informally" and file "a jointly signed statement informing the Tribunal whether they agree to attempt informal resolution". If so, they should "request a suspension of the proceedings".

2. On 21 October 2024, the parties filed the joint motion in response to Order No. 099 (NY/2024).

Consideration

3. In the parties' 21 October 2024 joint motion, they informed the Dispute Tribunal that they had agreed to attempt informal resolution and requested a suspension of proceedings for a period of thirty days from the date of the joint motion, meaning until 5 December 2024, at which point they would report back to the Dispute Tribunal. The parties further noted that "[f]or the avoidance of doubt, the joint request for suspension of proceedings does not constitute an admission or waiver of any sort by either of [the] parties and is made without prejudice to the parties' respective positions".

4. Pursuant to art. 10.1 of the Dispute Tribunal's Statute, the Tribunal "may suspend proceedings in a case at the request of the parties for a time to be specified by it in writing". In the interest of judicial efficiency and in accordance with art. 10.1 of its Statute, the Tribunal agrees to suspend the proceedings in light of the parties' wish to pursue an informal resolution of the present case.

5. In light of the above,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

6. The parties' joint motion of 21 October 2024 is granted;

Case No. UNDT/NY/2023/037 Order No. 108 (NY/2024)