

Cases No. 2017-1096

Habash
(Appellant)
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Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
(Respondent)

3. Under Article 7(3) of the Statute, "[t]he Appeals Tribunal may decide in writing, upon written request by the applicant, to suspend or waive the deadlines for a limited period of time and only in exceptional cases". Article 7(2) of the Appeals Tribunal Rules of Procedure (Rules) sets forth the manner in which an appellant should submit a written request for a waiver of a time limit, and Article 30 of the Rules allows this Tribunal to shorten or extend a time limit "when the interests of justice so require".

4. Mr. Habash seeks a waiver of the time limit and an additional period of time to appeal Judgment No. UNRWA/DT/2017/016, which dismissed his challenge of the Agency's decision to separate him from service on medical grounds. On the basis of his statement about his health condition and personal circumstances, this Tribunal finds that Mr. Habash has presented an exceptional case and the interests of justice will be served if his request is granted so as to give him an opportunity to fully present his case.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Mr. Habash's request for a waiver of time limit and an extension of time to file his appeal is GRANTED, and the appeal form and appeal brief shall be filed **no later than 1 September 2017, COB (New York time).** 

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Dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of August 2017 in Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago.

(Signed)