Case No.: UNDT/GVA/2012/014

Introduction

1. *7 a!!\$#6at#on f#\$ed on 2 3e8"ua"7 20125 t, e A!!\$#6ant 6ontests t, e de6#s#on to 6ons#de", e" #ne\$#g#8\$e fo" t, e gene"#6 .a6an67 A ! ! \$#6ant5 6onf#"m#ng t, at as a staff mem8e" 6u""ent\$7 se". #ng at t, e P23 \$e.e\$5 s, e = as not e\$#g#8\$e to a ! ! \$7 fo" ! os#t#ons mo"e t, an one \$e.e\$ a80.e , e" g"ade. (, e st"essed t, at :=#t, t, e , a"mon#Dat#on of t, e 6ond#t#ons of se". #6e and t, e ne = staff se\$e6t#on s7stem5 t, e o"gan#Dat#ons t, at fa\$\$ =#t, #n t, e \$a"ge" Un#ted Nat#ons fam#\$7 EFG a"e a\$\$ su8He6t to t, e same "u\$es and "egu\$at#ons go.e"n#ng t, e "e6"u#tment !"o6ess;.

7. *7 ema#\$ dated 2C Ju\$7 20115 t, e A ! ! \$#6ant "eAuested fu"t, e" 6\$a"#f#6at#on f"om t, e ' 66u ! at#ona\$ G"ou ! 0 anage"5) e6"u#tment5 ' CD (5 3PD/D3 (.

I. *7 ema#\$ of 12 (e!tem8e" 20115 t, e A!!\$#6ant "eAuested 6\$a"#f#6at#on f"om t, e 0 anagement & .a\$uat#on Un#t 9: 0 &U;< of t, e de6#s#on not to 6ons#de", e" e\$#g#8\$e fo" t, e P2 !os#t#on. (, e su8seAuent\$7 su8m#tted to 0 &U t, e management e.a\$uat#on fo"m on 1C (e!tem8e" 2011.

?. *7 ema#\$ of 4 No.em8e" 20115 0 &U sent to t,e A!!\$#6ant #ts "es!onse dated 2 No.em8e" 20115 assum#ng t, at t,e A!!\$#6ant ,ad su8m#tted ,e" :"eAuest fo" management e.a\$uat#on on 12 (e!tem8e" 2011; and u!,o\$d#ng t,e de6#s#on to deem ,e" #ne\$#g#8\$e fo" t,e a8o.e gene"#6 .a6an67 announ6ement.

10. Afte" t,e se\$e6t#on !"o6ess fo" t,e gene"#6 .a6an67 announ6ement =as 6om !\$eted #n (e!tem8e" 20115 a "oste" =as endo"sed and #n t,e fo\$\$o=#ng mont,s se.e"a\$ of t,e "oste"ed 6and#dates =e"e se\$e6ted fo" !osts at t,e P2 \$e.e\$.

11. T, e A!!\$#6ant f#\$ed , e" a!!\$#6at#on on 2 3e8"ua"7 2012 and #t =as se".ed to t, e)es!ondent fo" a "e!\$7. 'n 2 0 a"6, 20125 t, e)es!ondent "eAuested an e@tens#on of t#me fo" f#\$#ng a "e!\$75 = ,#6, =as g"anted5 as 8ot, !a"t#es =e"e ma-#ng effo"ts to f#nd an #nfo"ma\$ "eso\$ut#on to t, e 6\$a#m. Afte" #nfo"ma\$ effo"ts fa#\$ed5 t, e)es!ondent su8m#tted ,#s "e!\$7 on 1? 0 a"6, 2012.

12. 'n 1C '6to8e" 20125 Counse\$ fo" t, e A ! !\$#6ant su8m#tted an add#t#ona\$ note to t, e a ! !\$#6at#on and 87 o"de" No. C 9GVA/2013<5 Counse\$ fo" t, e) es ! ondent =as #n.#ted to su8m#t 6omments on t, e A ! !\$#6antBs add#t#ona\$ note. Counse\$ fo" t, e) es ! ondent f#\$ed ,#s 6omments on 30 Janua"7 2013. 13. A ,ea"#ng =as ,e\$d on 1 0a"6, 20135 at = ,#6, Counse\$ fo" t,e A!!\$#6ant =as !"esent5 = ,#\$e t,e A!!\$#6ant !a"t#6#!ated .#a !,one and Counse\$ fo" t,e) es ! ondent .#a .#deo6onfe"en6e.

!arties" su# \$ issions

- 14. T, e A ! ! \$#6antBs ! "#n6# ! a\$ 6ontent#ons a"e:
 - a. (#n6e t, e ! "#n6# ! \$e of ! "#o"#t7 6ons#de"at#on of #nte"na\$ 6and#dates =as

a!!\$7 to staff mem8e"s of t,e UN3CCC5 e.en t,ose =,o ,a.e 8een Aua\$#f#ed as K#nte"na\$B unde" se6. 19o< of (T/A%/2010/3J

d. T,e fa6t t,at s,e =as found e\$#g#8\$e fo" a !ost at t,e P2 \$e.e\$ #n a su8seAuent se\$e6t#on e@e"6#se su!!o"ts ,e" 6ase t,at se6. C.1 does not a!!\$7 to ,e"J

e. T, e A ! ! \$#6ant "eAuests t, e "es6#ss#on of t, e de6#s#on to 6ons#de", e" #ne\$#g#8\$e fo" t, e "es ! e6t#.e gene"#6 .a6an67 announ6ement5 and to 8e 6om ! ensated fo" t, e menta\$ d#st"ess as =e\$\$ as fo" t, e \$oss of 6, an6e to 8e "oste"ed and t, e"eafte" 8e se\$e6ted fo" .a6ant ! osts of CCP ' at t, e P2 \$e.e\$.

1. T,e) es! ondentBs !"#n6#!a\$ 6ontent#ons a"e:

a. (#n6e t,e A!!\$#6ant #s a!!\$7#ng fo" a !ost #n t,e 3PD/D3(5 (T/A%/2010/3 #s a!!\$#6a8\$e5 #n6\$ud#ng se6. C.1. UN3CCC #s !a"t of t,e Un#ted Nat#ons 6ommon s7stem and =,#\$e UN3CCC ,as #ts o=n staff se\$e6t#on !o\$#675 t,e \$atte" on\$7 a!!\$#es to se\$e6t#on !"o6edu"es fo" !os#t#ons =#t,#n t,e UN3CCC and 6annot go.e"n se\$e6t#on e@e"6 d. (e6t#on C.1 , as to 8e "ead #n 6onHun6t#on =#t, se6. 19o< and as su6, a!!\$#es to t, ose staff mem8e"s of t, e funds and !"og"ammes =, o a"e g"anted #nte"nastatus unde" se6. 19o<5 as #s t, e 6ase of t, e A!!\$#6antJ

e. *7 .#"tue of se6. 190<5 t, e A ! !\$#6ant ga#ns t, e ad .antage to 8e g#.en #nte"na\$ status fo" !osts one \$e.e\$ a8o.e , e" 6u""ent g"ade5 = ,#6, d#d #n fa6t ,a!!en = ,en s, e a! !\$#ed fo" a P24 "oste" and =as adm#tted to t, e P24 "oste"J

f. T,e fa6t t,at s,e too- t,e ="#tten test d#d not 6ause ,e" an7 mo"a\$ #nHu"7. %f t,e A ! !\$#6ant ,ad #nd#6ated on ,e" P4P t,e g"ade s,e ,e\$d at t,e t#me of ,e" a ! !\$#6at#on to t,e .a6an67 announ6ement5 #.e. P235 s,e =ou\$d ,a.e 8een s6"eened out and =ou\$d not ,a.e 8een #n.#ted to t,e ="#tten assessmentJ

g. T, e Hu"#s!"uden6e #s 6\$ea" #n t, at a=a"ds fo" 6om !ensat#on ma7 on\$7 8e made #n 6ase of !"oof of a6tua\$, a"m5 and t, at 6\$a#ms of mo"a\$ #nHu"7 and emot#ona\$ d#st"ess must 8e su!!o"ted 87 suff#6#ent e.#den6e. (#n6e t, e A!!\$#6ant d#d not !"o.#de an7 e.#den6e of su6, ,a"m5, e" 6\$a#ms s,ou\$d 8e d#sm#ssedJ

"es6#nded and s,e 8e g"anted 6om ! ensat#on fo" menta\$ d#st"ess and t,e \$oss of 6, an6e to 8e "oste"ed and t,e"eafte" 8e se\$e6ted fo" .a6ant ! osts of CCP ' at t,e P 2 \$e.e\$.

Receivability

17. T, e A!!\$#6ant =as f#"st #nfo"med 87 t, e %nte".#e= Pane\$ on 7 Ju\$7 2011 t, at s, e =as #ne\$#g#8\$e to a!!\$7 fo" a P2 !os#t#on. U!on t, e A!!\$#6antBs "eAuest5 t, e '66u!at#ona\$ G"ou! 0 anage"5) e6"u#tment5 'CD(5 3PD/D3(su8seAuent\$7 6onf#"med 87 ema#\$ of 13 Ju\$7 2011 t, at #n .#e= of , e" !e"sona\$ g"ade at t, e P23 e.e\$5 s, e =as 6ons#de"ed #ne\$#g#8\$e unde" (T/A%/2010/3 to a!!\$7 fo" a P2 !os#t#on. T, e A!!\$#6ant sent messages to 0 &U on 12 and 1C (e!tem8e" 2011.

1I. %f one =e"e to 6on6ude t, at t, e C02da7 t#me2#m#t to "eAuest management e.auat#on unde" staff "ue 11.2 96< , ad sta"ted to "un as f"om 7 Ju7 20115 #t =oud , a.e ee !#"ed 8 #t

d#"e6t ega 60nseAuen6es. 9see Schook 20102UNAT20135 Tabari 20102UNAT2030J and Hamad 2012 L UNAT L 2C?<

21. T, e T"#8una\$ notes t, at #t #s not an essent#a\$ e\$ement of an adm#n#st"at#.e de6#s#on t, at #t 8e not#f#ed #n = "#t#ng. %n 6ont"ast to fo"me" staff "u\$e 111.2 9a< a660"d#ng to = ,#6, t, e \$ette" "eAuest#ng adm#n#st"at#.e "e.#e= ,ad to 8e sent = #t, #n t=o mont, s f"om t, e date t, e staff mem8e" : "e6e#.ed not#f#6at#on of t, e de6#s#on #n = "#t#ng;5 6u""ent staff "u\$e 11.296<5 = ,#6, =as a\$"ead7 #n fo"6e at t, e mate"#a\$ t#me5 does not enta#\$ su6, a "eAu#"ement. %ndeed5 6u""ent staff "u\$e 11.2 96< "eads t, at t, e "eAuest fo" management e.a\$uat#on must 8e sent = #t, #n s#@t7 da7s f"om t, e date t, e staff mem8e" : "e6e#.ed not#f#6at#on of t, e adm#n#st"at#.e de6#s#on to 8e 6ontested;. T, e"efo"e5 fo" t, e 6ase at ,and #t #s #""e\$e.ant t,at on 7 Ju\$7 2011 t, e A!!\$#6ant ,ad 8een #nfo"med a8out ,e" #ne\$#g#8#\$#t7 87 t, e %nte".#e= Pane\$ on\$7 o"a\$\$75 o.e" t, e te\$e!, one.

22. T, #s T"#8una fu"t, e", ed #n Elasoud UNDT/2010/111 t, at fo" a de6#s#on to 8e 6ontesta8 #t must 8e f#na s#n6e #t =# on7 8e a8 to affect an a!!#6antBs ega "#g, ts on6e #t = as a6tua7 made.

23. 30" t, e "easons out\$#ned 8e\$o=5 t, e T"#8una\$ f#nds t, at t, e de6#s#on 87 t, e %nte".#e= Pane\$ to 6ons#de" t, e A!!\$#6ant #ne\$#g#8\$e5 =, #6, \$ed t, e Pane\$ to te"m#nate t, e #nte".#e=5 does not sat#sf7 t, e "eAu#"ements of an adm#n#st"at#.e de6#s#on as def#ned a80.e5 !a"t#6u\$a"\$7 #n t, at #t d#d not !"odu6e d#"e6t \$ega\$ 6onseAuen6es and d#d not affe6t t, e A!!\$#6antBs \$ega\$ "#g, ts.

24. T,e dete"m#nat#on of =,et,e" a 6and#date #s e\$#g#8\$e unde" t,e "eAu#"ements of se6. C of (T/A)/2010/3 6\$ea"\$7 fa\$\$s on t,e "e\$e.ant 4 uman) esou"6es 'ff#6e o" 3#\$ed Pe"sonne\$ D#.#s#on of t,e De!a"tment of 3#e\$d su!!o"t5 =,#6,5 a66o"d#ng to se6. 7 of (T/A)/2010/35 #s #n 6,a"ge of !"e2s6"een#ng 6and#dates on t,e 8as#s of t,e #nfo"mat#on !"o.#ded #n t,e a!!\$#6at#on. T,e Manual for the Recruiter on the Staff Selection System 9%ns!#"a<5 2012 9:t,e 0 anua\$;<5 ,#g,\$#g,ts t,e "es!ons#8#\$#t7 of t,e) e6"u#te" to ensu"e t,at #nd#.#dua\$ a!!\$#6ants a"e e\$#g#8\$e o" not fo" a !a"t#6u\$a" H08 o!en#ng5 unde" ea6, e\$#g#8#\$#t7 "u\$e. As su6,5 t,e) e6"u#te" ,as t,e aut,o"#t7 to f#nd 6and#dates #ne\$#g#8\$e =, en 6om!\$#an6e #ssues a"e found5 at an7 stage of t,e !"o6ess. A66o"d#ng to t,e 0 anua\$5 :t,e "o\$e of t,e) e6"u#te" #s 6om!"#sed of t,e fun6t#ons 6u""ent\$7 6a""#ed out #n t,e ' "gan#Dat#on 87 E ' 4) 0 65 &@e6ut#.e ' ff#6es 9& ' < and \$o6a\$ 4 uman) esou"6es ' ff#6es;. T,e"efo"e5 #t #s 6\$ea"\$7 esta8\$#s,ed =,o ,as t,e aut,o"#t7 and dut7 to assess t,e e\$#g#8#\$#t7 of a 6and#date =#t,#n t,e ' "gan#Dat#on.

\$#eu of "es6#ss#on5, as to 8e "ead "est"#6t#.e\$7 9Allen UNDT/2010/00?5 and Rockcliffe UNDT/2012/121<.</pre>

3 . $\mbox{\sc hn} t,e$ 6ase at ,and5 t,e 6ontested de6#s#on #s to ,a.e found t,e A ! ! \$#6ant CCP ' as t,e7 8e6ame a.a#38e. T,e"efo"e5 t,e T"#8unaem!,as#ses t,at 87 f#nd#ng t,e A!!#6ant #ne#g#8s5 afte" s,e,ad su66essfu37 !assed t,e = "#tten test5 and den7#ng,e" t,e !oss#8#3#t7 to !ass t,e #nte".#e=5 t,e A!!#6ant s ost a 6,an6e of 8e#ng ses6ted to 8e !ut on t,e "oste" and ut#mate7 to 8e ses6ted fo" a P2 !os#t#on. T,e A!!#6ant asso s ost a 6,an6e to 6ons#de"a7#m!"o.e,e" status

6. T,e a80.e2ment#oned 6om!ensat#on s,a\$\$ 8ea" #nte"est at t,e U(P"#me)ate f"om t,e date t,#s Judgment 8e6omes e@e6uta8\$e unt#\$!a7ment of t,e sa#d 6om!ensat#on. An add#t#ona\$ f#.e !e" 6ent s,a\$\$ 8e added to t,e U(P"#me)ate C0 da7s fo\$\$o=#ng t,e date t,#s Judgment 8e6omes e@e6uta8\$eJ

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