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Judgment No.: UNDT/2019/130

Date: Original: 24 July 2019

English

Judge Joelle Adda **Before:** 

**Registry:** New York

**Registrar:** Nerea Suero Fontecha

**RUSSO-GOT** 

UNITED NATIONS DISPUTE TRIBUNAL

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**JUDGMENT** 

**ON RECEIVABILITY** 

**Counsel for Applicant:** 

Introduction

1. On 6 May 2019, the Applicant, a former Project Manager with the United

filed an application contesting a

decision not to select him for a position as Head of PMO with UNOPS on an

(Case No.

UNDT/NY/2019/028).

2. On 10 May 2019, the Applicant filed an application contesting a decision not

to select him for a position as Project Manager with UNOPS on an International ICA

(Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/029).

3. On 13 May 2019, the Applicant filed an application contesting a decision not

to select him for a position as Chief Information Security Officer with UNOPS on an

International ICA (Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/031).

4. On 15 May 2019, the Applicant filed an application contesting a decision not

to select him for a position as Project Support Officer with UNOPS on an

International ICA (Case No. UNDT/NY/2019/033).

5. In the reply to all four applications (dated 6, 10, 12 and 14 June 2019,

respectively), the Respondent contends that each application is not receivable since

an application contesting a non-staff position is not capable of review by the Dispute

Tribunal.

**Factual background** 

6. On 22 January 2019, the Applicant was informed that his fixed-term

appointment as project manager with UNOPS would not be extended beyond 31

January 2019.

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a staff member on the date of her application for a service contract, a service contract is not governed by the Staff Rules and Regulations and thus it is not part of a staff

in Megerditchian 2010-UNAT-088.

- 13. Similarly, in the instant cases, the Applicant challenges the decisions not to select him for a contractor position.
- 14. The fact that