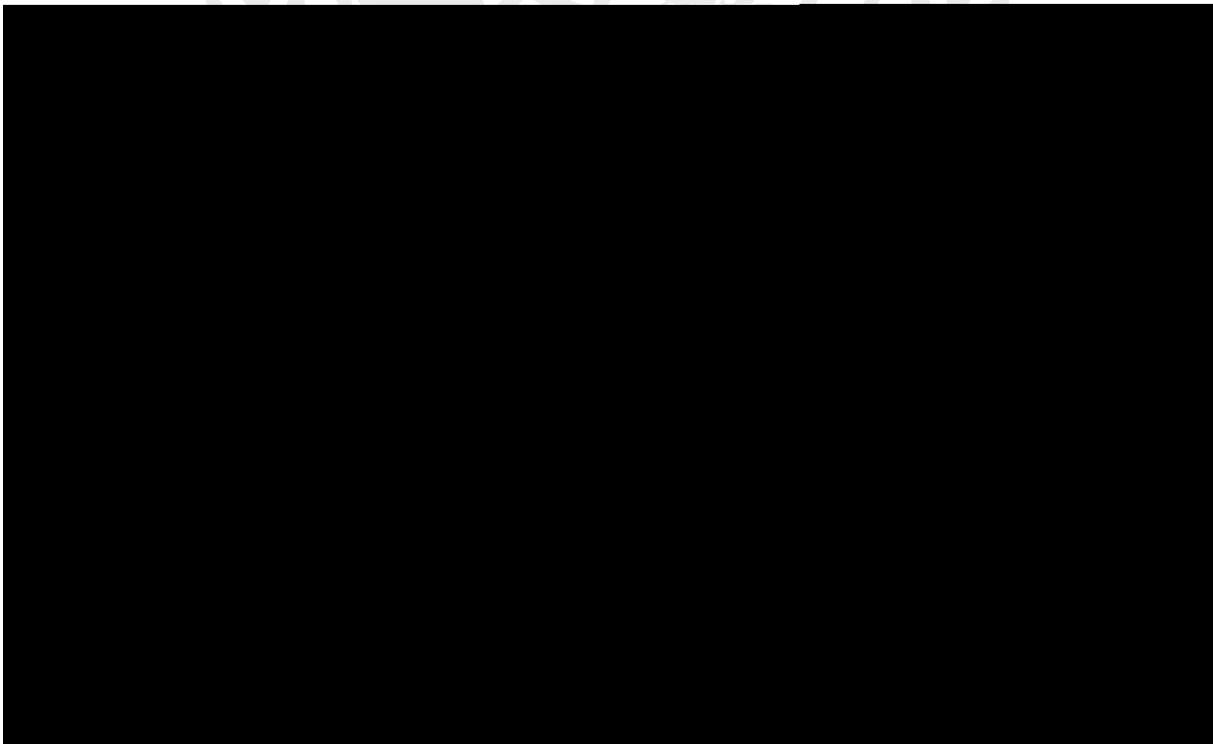
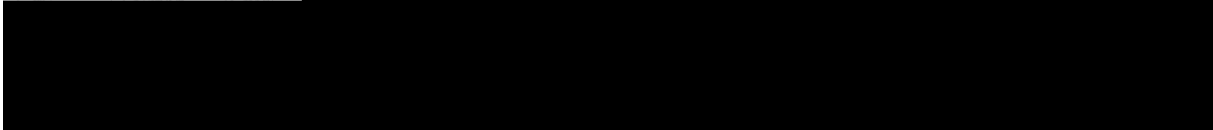




UNITED NATIONS

Case No. 2011-252



Counsel for Appellant: Self-represented

I, JUDGE SOPHIA ADINYIRA, President of the United Nations Appeals Tribunal (Appeals Tribunal),

BEING SEIZED of the “Motion for oral and public hearings by electronic means” filed by Mr. Gehr on 12 June 2012;

NOTING the “Respondent’s Observations on the Appellant’s Motion for Oral and Public Hearings by Electronic Means”, filed by the Secretary-General on 13 June 2012;

NOTING Judgment No. UNDT/2011/150, rendered by the United Nations Dispute Tribunal (UNDT or Dispute Tribunal) in Geneva in the case of *Gehr v. Secretary-General of the United Nations* on 25 August 2011;

NOTING that Mr. Walter Gehr has appealed the UNDT Judgment on 12 September 2011;

NOTING that by Order No. 91, the Appeals Tribunal granted Mr. Gehr’s request for an oral hearing and ordered, pursuant to Article 18 of the Rules of Procedure of the Appeals Tribunal (Rules), that an oral hearing be held at the United Nations Office at Geneva on Monday, 25 June 2012, at 3:30 p.m.;

NOTING that Mr. Gehr requests that the Appeals Tribunal order that his oral hearing be held by electronic means pursuant to Article 18(2) of the Rules because his physical appearance before the Tribunal would involve costs amounting to one quarter of his income;

NOTING that pursuant to Article 18(2) of the Rules, “[i]n appropriate circumstances, the oral hearing may be held by electronic means”;

CONSIDERING that in this case, Mr. Gehr’s physical presence is not required to ensure the fairness of the proceedings;

FINDING therefore that it is appropriate in the circumstances of the case that Mr. Gehr be allowed to participate in the oral hearing by electronic means;

NOTING Mr. Gehr’s request that the Organization ensure his participation via video-link from the United Nations Office at Vienna;

CONSIDERING that it is the responsibility of the party requesting the oral hearing to make arrangements to participate in the hearing;

