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Case No.: AUAT/2019/003
Order No.: AUAT/2021/003

IN THE MATTER OF:

M.I., Applicant

v.

Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Respondent

FOR APPLICANT: *Pro se*

FOR RESPONDENT: Namira Negm, Legal Counsel, African Union Commission

BEFORE: S. MAINGA, President, J. SEDQI, and P. COMOANE

HEARD ON: 28 April 2021, 21 May 2021

ORDER

1. The matter has been the subject of several prior orders directing Respondent to execute Judgment No. AUAT/2020/006. Applicant now comes with a motion asking for additional orders against Respondent because Respondent continues to defy the Tribunal's orders.
2. On 19 February 2021, the Tribunal entered an order of contempt against Respondent and his Counsel and entreated Respondent to take accountability measures against those responsible for the non-execution of Judgment No. AUAT/2020/006. In addition to ordering Respondent to execute the judgment within 15 days (**no later than 6 March 2021**), a 5% interest was imposed on all judgment sums as of 12 November 2020.
3. These orders were affirmed on 1 April 2021.
4. In the present request, Applicant has attached several troubling electronic exchanges between herself and the Office Legal Counsel, causing the Tribunal significant concern about Counsel for Respondent's respect for Tribunal orders.
5. The evidence that Respondent submitted is all the more shocking: minutes of a meeting where some officials of Respondent discussed suspending execution while Respondent investigated the administrative decision addressed in the judgment.
6. A judgment of the Tribunal is final, immediately operative, and without appeal; its execution does not require the approval of Respondent or his officials.¹
7. In the circumstances, the Tribunal understands Applicant's "frustration, sense of injustice and anxiety" arising from Respondent's disregard of the Tribunal's authority.²
8. Accordingly, the 5% interest previously imposed is ESCALATED to 10% as of 6 March 2021 and is ORDERED to run until full payment.

Date: 1 June 2021

/signed/

SYLVESTER MAINGA, PRESIDENT
JAMILA B. SEDQI
PAULO D. COMOANE

Secretary: _____

¹ *T.T. v. Chairperson*, Order No. 2018/001; *A.L. v. Chairperson*, Order No. 2018/002; *M.N. v. Chairperson*, Order No. 2018/003.

² See *ILOAT Judgment No. 3152*.