Decision No. 278

Manouchehr Ashouripour, Applicant

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International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Respondent

- 1. The World Bank Administrative Tribunal has been seized of an application, received on July 25, 2002, by Manouchehr Ashouripour against the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. The Bank has raised a jurisdictional objection to be decided by a Panel of the Tribunal, established in accordance with Article V(2) of its Statute, and composed of Francisco Orrego Vicuña (President of the Tribunal) as President, Bola A. Ajibola (a Vice President of the Tribunal) and Robert A. Gorman, Judges. The usual exchange of pleadings with respect to jurisdiction took place. The case was listed on November 5, 2002, to decide the issue of jurisdiction only.
- 2. By e-mail dated December 6, 2002, the Applicant informed the Executive Secretary of the Tribunal that "I hereby dismiss my claim involving the World Bank and UNUM set for the Tribunal Panel discussion on December 9, 2002."
- 3. By letter dated December 6, 2002 to the Tribunal, the Respondent confirmed that the "matter ha[d] been settled to the mutual satisfaction of the Applicant, UNUM Insurance Company and the Bank," and that the Respondent had been "authorized by the parties in this matter to notify the [World Bank] Administrative Tribunal of the settlement and request that the above referenced matter be dismissed with prejudice."

Decision

Considering the express intent of the parties, the Tribunal decides to record the withdrawal of the application.

/S/ Francisco Orrego Vicuña Francisco Orrego Vicuña President

/S/ Nassib G. Ziadé Nassib G. Ziadé Executive Secretary

At London, England, December 14, 2002

