

World Bank Administrative Tribunal

2010

Order No. 2010-3

Yang-Ro Yoon, Applicant

v.

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development,
Respondent

World Bank Administrative Tribunal Office of the Executive Secretary

Yang-Ro Yoon, Applicant

v.

International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Respondent

- 1. This order is rendered by the Tribunal, composed of Stephen M. Schwebel, President, and Judges Jan Paulsson, Florentino P. Feliciano, Francis M. Ssekandi, Ahmed El-Kosheri and Mónica Pinto. The Application was received on 12 May 2010.
- 2. In her ninth application filed with the Tribunal on 20 July 2009 the Applicant challenged, *inter alia*, the Bank's revocation of her access to her Bank e-mail account, its blocking of her access to the Bank's e-mail system, the role of certain managers and the Bank's Department of Institutional Integrity ("INT") in the decisions leading to the revocation of her e-mail privileges, and the alleged improper procedures followed in the revocation of such privileges. In *Yoon* (*No. 9*), Decision No. 429 [2010], rendered in March 2010, the Tribunal found no wrongdoing on the part of the Bank in revoking the Applicant's e-mail access, and dismissed all her claims.
- 3. In this Application, her fifteenth before the Tribunal, the Applicant challenges the manner in which the Bank treated her "whistleblower" claims and her allegations of misconduct related to the Bank's decision to revoke her e-mail access. The Tribunal notes that the Applicant's alleged "whistleblower" activities consisted of the same e-mail messages sent by the Applicant that led to the revocation of her e-mail access. This was the subject of the Tribunal's decision in *Yoon (No. 9)*. The Tribunal also notes that, both before and after she filed the application leading to the Tribunal's decision in *Yoon (No.*

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9), the Applicant set in motion various processes within the Bank to seek review of her

"whistleblower" claims and her allegations of misconduct related to the revocation of her

e-mail access. These claims and allegations were addressed in the Tribunal's decision in

Yoon (No. 9).

4. The Tribunal's decision in *Yoon (No. 9)* is final. This has two consequences.

First, the claims directed by the Applicant against the processes she set in motion for the

review within the Bank of the same issues addressed in the decision in Yoon (No. 9)

cannot constitute the basis of a new application before this Tribunal. Second, a repetition

of claims addressed in *Yoon (No. 9)* will not be entertained by the Tribunal.

5. The Tribunal therefore concludes that the Application is devoid of all merit.

DECISION

The Tribunal decides that the Application be summarily dismissed.

/S/ Stephen M. Schwebel

Stephen M. Schwebel

President

/S/ Olufemi Elias

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Executive Secretary

At Paris, France, 29 October 2010