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Dear Sirs and Madam,

Please find attached a copy of the Tribunal's Procedural Order No. 3 in the above case. Certified copies of the Order will be sent to you shortly.

Sincerely yours,

Gonzalo Flores Secretary of the Tribunal

Attachments

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CERTIFICATE

Cargill, Incorporated

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I hereby certify that the attached document is a true copy of the Tribunal's Procedural Order No. 3 of July 18, 2007.

> Conzalo Flores Secretary of the Tribunal

Washington, D.C., July 20, 2007

PROCEDURAL ORDER No. 3

18 July 2007

Cargill, Incorporated, Claimant

v.

United Mexican States, Respondent

ICSID Case No. ARB(AF)/05/2

An arbitration Under Chapter 11 of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), in accordance with ICSID Additional Facility Arbitration Rules (2003)

Michael C. Pryles, President David D. Caron, Member Donald M. McRae, Member

Background

- 1. The Respondent, in its Counter Memorial, has asserted that the Tribunal lacks jurisdiction "to recognise two of the three measures of the Cargill claim and..... the Respondent requests that the Tribunal suspend the proceedings and..... resolve the objections to its jurisdiction as a preliminary matter".
- 2. The Claimant, in its Reply Memorial objects to the bifurcation of the proceedings contending that:
 - (a) this would substantially delay the proceeding and increase the costs to the parties;
 - (b) most of the Respondent's jurisdiction objections are not jurisdictional at all, and those that might be deemed jurisdictional are exceedingly weak; and
 - (c) the bulk of the Respondent's objections are inextricably intertwined with the merits.
- 3. The Tribunal, in its letter to the parties of 6 July 2007, noted that this proceeding is governed by the *ICSID Arbitration (Additional Facility) Rules 2003* ("Rules"). In accordance with Article 45(4) of the Rules, the proceeding on the merits was suspended.
- 4. On 9 July 2007 the Claimant advised that it did not intend to further comment on the Respondent's jurisdictional objections.
- 5. The Respondent provided a further Submission dated 12 July 2007. It contended, inter alia, that resolving jurisdictional objections as a preliminary matter is not only consistent with the applicable arbitration rules, but would also bring efficiency and economy to the consideration of any surviving claim; that the written procedure under the Rules is designed to narrow the factual and legal issues in dispute; that there are numerous jurisdictional issues that divide the parties; and that the Respondent believes that its jurisdictional objections will be upheld.

6. The Claimant in its letter of 12 July 2007 objected to the Respondent's further submission and provided comments on its content.

Discussion

- 7. Article 45(5) of the Rules gives the Tribunal the discretion to deal with a jurisdictional objection as a preliminary question or to join it to the merits of the dispute.
- 8. Bifurcation would be appropriate if dealing with the jurisdictional objection as a preliminary question would hold out a prospect of substantial efficiency in the conduct of the arbitration and consequent saving of costs.
- 9. However in this case the Tribunal is far from persuaded that bifurcation would achieve economy or savings of costs. In this regard the Tribunal notes the following:
 - the Respondent's application to bifurcate has been raised at a stage when the bulk of the memorials on the merits have already been provided;
 - (b) even if the jurisdictional objections were upheld, they would not furnish a complete defence to the claim and it would still be necessary to have a hearing on the merits of some of the Claimant's case; and
 - in all probability bifurcation of the proceedings would result in two hearings, one dealing with the jurisdictional objections and the other dealing with the merits and this would, in all likelihood, extend the duration of the arbitration and increase costs.
- 10. Furthermore, the Tribunal considers that the link between the jurisdictional objections and the merits also makes joinder appropriate in this case.

Order

- 11. The Tribunal declines to order the bifurcation of the proceedings and decides that the jurisdictional objections raised by the Respondent will be decided together with the merits of the case.
- 12. The proceeding on the merits is resumed.
- 13. The Orders made in Procedural Order No. 2 stand.

Michael C. Pryles

President of the Tribunal on behalf of the Tribunal

David D. Caron, Member Donald M. McRae, Member Secretaria de Eçonomía

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LIC. LUIS ALBERTO GONZÁLEZ GARCÍA

DIRECTOR DE LA CJN

Presente

Fecha: 26-07-2007 09:07 a.m.

Volante: 5110700587-01

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Documento: S/N

Firmante: Gonzalo Flores Cargo: Secretario del Tribunal

24-07-07 GF ENVÍA POR COURIER CARTA EN LA QUE ANEXA COPIAS CERTIFICADAS DE LA ORDEN DE PROCEDIMIENTO DEL TRIBUNAL No. 3 REFERENTE AL CASO CARGILL, INCORPORATED VEL GOBIERNO DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS MEXICANOS.

CONOCIMIENTO

Atentamente

CRISTINA REYES RODRIGUEZ SECRETARIA DE LA DGCJN

c.c.p. LIC. MARIANO GOMEZPERALTA CASALI

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Seguimiento: Fecha de contestación:

No requiere respuesta

Nombre y firma del responsable

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Dear Members of the Tribunal.

Please find attached a copy of a letter dated August 1, 2007, which we have received from counsel for the Claimant.

Sincerely yours,

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August 1, 2007

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Cargill v Mexico, ARB(AF)05/2)

Dear Gonzalo:

Re:

On behalf of Claimant Cargill, Inc., we request that you bring the following three items to the attention of the Tribunal:

First, as of August 31, 2007, our firm's name will be Mayer Brown LLP.

Second, William H. Knull has replaced Mark Ryan on the Mayer Brown team representing Cargill. Bill's phone number is 1-713-238-3000, his fax number is 1-713-238-4636, and his e-mail address is wknull@mayerbrown.com.

Finally, in reviewing Cargill's Reply Memorial, we noted an inadvertent error. Footnote 213 on page 52 states that, according to Mr. de la Calle's witness statement, he threatened U.S. officials "seven days" after Mexico requested appointment of a Chapter 20 panel. In fact, the time period referenced by Mr. de la Calle extends from August 17, 2000 to August 24 2001, a period of one year and seven days. We therefore ask the Tribunal to disregard the second sentence of footnote 213.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Jeffrey W. Sarles

JWS/jm

cc: Respondent's Counsel

De

Luis Alberto González García

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Fecha

lun, Ago 20, 2007 9:22 p.m.

Tema:

Cargill Inc c Estados Unidos Mexicanos

Estimado Gonzalo:

Adjunto el escrito de Dúplica de México en español en el caso de referencia. En un correo posterior estaré enviando las testimoniales en inglés. Te pido por favor sea remitido a los miembros del Tribunal. Estaremos enviando las traducciones de cortesía a la brevedad.

Saludos,

Luis

CC:

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Adjunto las testimoniales anexas al escrito de Dúplica.

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Adjunto el segundo reporte de PRA anexo al escrito de Dúplica.

Saludos,

Luis

CC:

Alejandra Galaxia Traviño SolÃ-s