



Forthcoming judgments and decisions

The European Court of Human Rights will be notifying in writing six judgments on Tuesday 17 February 2026 and 20 judgments and / or decisions on Thursday 19 February 2026.

Press releases and texts of the judgments and decisions will be available at 10 a.m. (local time) on the Court's Internet site (www.echr.coe.int).

Tuesday 17 February 2026

[Green Alliance v. Bulgaria \(application no. 6580/22\)](#)

The applicant organisation, Green Alliance, was founded in 2006 and is based in Kostenets (Bulgaria).

Regulations issued in 2008, and amended in 2018, allow Bulgaria's State Agency for National Security ("the Agency") to place "agents on cover" into a private entity or as a member of a "liberal profession". Those "agents on cover" conceal only that they are working for the Agency. They are not allowed to use covert surveillance techniques or equipment and are in Bulgaria considered different from "agents under cover". The case concerns the availability of effective safeguards as regards such operations.

Relying on Article 8 (right to respect for private and family life) of the European Convention on Human Rights, Green Alliance complains about the regulations and argues, in particular, that they allow the Agency to deploy "agents on cover" in an arbitrary and abusive manner.

[Koffi v. Bulgaria \(no. 95/24\)](#)

The applicant, Leon François d'Assises Koffi, is a British national who was born in 1970 and lives in Sheffield.

On 29 September 2018 teams from the two biggest football clubs in Bulgaria played a match at the National Stadium in Sofia. The case concerns an assault on Mr Koffi which occurred following the end of the football match when fans were leaving the stadium, and which he alleges was prompted by racist motives.

Relying, in particular, on Article 3 (prohibition of inhuman or degrading treatment) of the European Convention, the applicant complains, firstly, that the authorities had failed to put in place adequate regulations and operational measures with a view to preventing the assault on him and, secondly, that the authorities had not effectively investigated the assault.

[Đaković v. Serbia \(no. 30749/22\)](#)

The applicant, Vilko Đaković, is a Croatian national who was born in 1957 and lives in Lovas, Croatia.

On 10 October 1991, in the context of war that followed the dissolution of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, the Yugoslav People's Army, together with a certain number of locally recruited "territorial defence" forces, local police and volunteer forces, shelled and subsequently captured the Croatian village of Lovas. The case concerns the death of Mr Đaković's father, who was shot and killed during the assault.

Relying on Article 2 (right to life) of the Convention the applicant complains that the Serbian authorities have failed to carry out an effective investigation into the killing of his father.

Thursday 19 February 2026

[Simoncini v. San Marino \(no. 14396/24\)](#)

The applicant, Massimiliano Simoncini, is a San Marinese national, who was born in 1963 and lives in Montegiardino (San Marino).

In 2019 the applicant was appointed *Commissario della legge*, the equivalent of first-instance judge in San Marino, by the Judicial Council in Plenary formation (*Consiglio Giudiziario Plenario*, the “CGP”). The case concerns the annulment in 2020 of the applicant’s appointment, following a legislative intervention with retroactive effect, concerning the interpretation to be given to the provisions relating to the composition of the CGP. The applicant brought administrative proceedings to challenge the annulment, without success.

Relying on Article 6 (right to a fair trial), Mr Simoncini complains in particular that the legislative interference was contrary to the rule of law and that the administrative proceedings were too long. Also relying on Article 8 (right to respect for private and family life), he alleges that the decision to annul his appointment had had serious consequences for his private life and reputation, it had not been in accordance with the law, nor justified.

[V.N. and Others v. Sweden \(no. 42101/23\)](#)

The applicants are a family of four Azerbaijani nationals: Mr V.N., his wife, now deceased, and their daughter and son. They were born in 1973, 1975, 2006 and 1999, respectively.

The family arrived in Sweden in May 2013 and requested asylum, which was refused. The case concerns the authorities’ subsequent refusal to grant Mr V.N. a residence permit because they considered him a threat to public order and security. Several deportation orders were also issued against him, which have never been enforced. His deportation to Azerbaijan was stayed by the European Court in December 2023 under Rule 39 (interim measures) of its Rules of Court.

Mr V.N.’s wife and children were, on the other hand, granted temporary residence permits in December 2021, after the mother was diagnosed with cervical cancer. She died in June 2024.

Mr V.N. and his two children all apparently still live in Sweden.

Relying on Article 8 (right to private and family life), the applicant family complain about the migration authorities’ decisions in 2023 refusing to grant Mr V.N. a residence permit or to suspend his deportation, while his wife was seriously ill.

[Cuculovic v. Switzerland \(no. 28865/17\)](#)

The applicant, Nebojsa Cuculovic, is a Swiss national who was born in 1995 and lives in Zofingen (Switzerland).

Mr Cuculovic was arrested and brought before a judge in 2016 on suspicion of common assault and making threats. The charges were subsequently dropped when the complaints against him were withdrawn. The case concerns the applicant’s complaint that his pre-trial detention was nonetheless extended on the basis of a new, unrelated set of facts and grounds concerning driving without a license and serious traffic violations in a purely written appeal procedure.

Relying in particular on Article 5 § 3 (right to liberty and security), Mr Cuculovic complains that he has not been heard in person in connection with the new facts and grounds on which the Court of appeal based its decision ordering his pre-trial detention.

The Court will give its rulings in writing on the following cases, some of which concern issues which have already been submitted to the Court, including excessive length of proceedings.

These rulings can be consulted from the day of their delivery on the Court's online database [HUDOC](#).

They will not appear in the press release issued on that day.

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