

Forthcoming judgments and decisions

The European Court of Human Rights will be notifying in writing three rulings on Tuesday 18 February 2025 and one ruling on Thursday 20 February 2025.

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Tuesday 18 February 2025

Just Satisfaction

[Alasgarov and Others v. Azerbaijan \(application no. 32088/11\)](#)

The applicants are 21 Azerbaijani nationals.

The case concerns a dispute over plots of land that had been allocated to the applicants by the Agrarian Reform Commission in Absheron for agricultural use. The Absheron District Mehdiabad Municipality later notified some of the applicants that their plots would be reallocated so that the State could make use of the land for construction purposes.

On 10 November 2022 the Court [found a violation](#) of Article 1 of Protocol No. 1 (protection of property) to the European Convention on Human Rights, but reserved the question of just satisfaction. It will decide on that question in this forthcoming judgment.

[Objective Television and Radio Broadcasting Company and Others v. Azerbaijan \(no. 257/12\)](#)

The applicants are Objective Television and Radio Broadcasting Company (*Obyektiv Televiziya və Radio Yayım Şirkəti*), a company based in Azerbaijan, and three Azerbaijani nationals, Mehman Yadulla oğlu Aliyev, Emin Rafik oğlu Hüseynov and Rasul Ağahasan oğlu Jafarov, who were born in 1957, 1979 and 1984 respectively and live in Baku.

All four were involved in bids for radio station licences: Mr Aliyev and Mr Hüseynov as owners and staff members of the applicant company; and Mr Jafarov in a separate bid by Alternativ Radio. The bid was ultimately won by a company called Golden Prince LLC for a radio station named Free News Radio.

Relying on Article 10 (freedom of expression), of the European Convention, the applicants complain of the refusal to grant them a broadcasting licence.

[Romanchenko and Kharazishvili v. Georgia \(nos. 33067/22 and 37832/22\)](#)

The applicants, Ana Romanchenko and Nika Kharazishvili, are Georgian nationals who were born in 1989 and 1990 respectively and live in Tbilisi.

The case concerns the interception and recording of the applicants' telephone communications within the framework of criminal proceedings for allegedly planning to sell 400,000 packs of cigarettes without excise stamps.

Ms Romanchenko complains under Article 6 (right to a fair trial), and both applicants complain under Article 8 of the Convention that the interception and recording of their telephone communications violated their right to respect for their private life and correspondence.

Thursday 20 February 2025

[Secară v. Romania \(no. 56658/22\)](#)

The applicant, Nela-Mirela Secară, is a Romanian national who was born in 1960. She was the manager of several commercial companies at the relevant time.

The case concerns the fairness of criminal proceedings which led to the applicant's conviction, on appeal, for dissipation of assets and money-laundering.

Before the Court, she complains that the appellate court convicted her without directly taking evidence – witness testimony, more specifically – even though she had been acquitted at first instance on the basis of such evidence. She relies on Article 6 (right to a fair trial) of the Convention.

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