



Forthcoming judgments and decisions

The European Court of Human Rights will be notifying in writing three judgments on Tuesday 22 April 2025 and 20 judgments and / or decisions on Thursday 24 April 2025.

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).

Thursday 24 April 2025

[L. and Others v. France \(applications nos. 46949/21, 24989/22, and 39759/22\)](#)

The applicants, Ms L., Ms H.B. and Ms M.L., were born in 1995, 2005 and 1991 respectively.

The case mainly concerns the State's positive obligations, under Articles 3 and 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights (substantive and procedural aspects), to enact and apply criminal-law provisions that effectively punish rape reported by teenage girls below the age of majority.

The applicants rely on Article 3 (prohibition of inhuman or degrading treatment), Article 8 (right to respect for private life) and, in the case of the first applicant, Article 14 (prohibition of discrimination) taken together with Articles 3 and 8. They complain that French law and practice do not provide effective protection against rape and that their status as minors and their situation of vulnerability at the time of the events were not adequately taken into account. The first and third applicants further allege that the authorities did not promptly comply with their obligation to investigate and punish the perpetrators of the offences they had complained of. Lastly, the first applicant submits that she was subjected to secondary victimisation and discriminatory treatment during the criminal proceedings.

[Bogdan Shevchuk v. Ukraine \(no. 55737/16\)](#)

The applicant, Bogdan Grygorovych Shevchuk, is a Ukrainian national who was born in 1979 and lives in Zatoka (Odesa Region, Ukraine).

In January 2016 a criminal investigation was opened into him for abuse of power and, as a result, he was arrested and detained in May 2016. His detention ordered by the Kyivskyi District Court of Odesa was subsequently extended twice until 20 October 2016, the second extension being given by Judge F. and not amenable to appeal. The applicant lodged numerous complaints with the courts in which he argued that his continued detention was unlawful, but to no avail.

Relying on Article 5 §§ 1 and 4 (right to liberty and security/right to have lawfulness of detention decided speedily by a court) of the European Convention, the applicant complains that his detention was not lawful as it was authorised by an incompetent court and that there was no effective procedure for him to challenge its lawfulness. He furthermore alleges that the authorities exerted pressure on him to withdraw his application to the Court, after notice of the application had been given to the Ukrainian Government, in breach of Article 34 (right of individual petition) of the Convention.

[Ivan Karpenko v. Ukraine \(no. 2\) \(no. 41036/16\)](#)

The applicant, Ivan Ivanovych Karpenko, is a Ukrainian national who was born in 1973 and is detained in Perekhrestivka (Sumy Region, Ukraine). He has been serving a life sentence since 2004.

The case concerns alleged monitoring of his correspondence in detention and the fact that he was not allowed to participate in hearings in a subsequent case he brought before the courts.

Relying mainly on Articles 6 (right to a fair trial) and 8 (right to respect for private and family life) of the Convention, the applicant complains that the prison authorities unlawfully monitored his correspondence and that, when he lodged a complaint with the courts in that connection, they failed to ensure that he could participate via videolink in the hearings of his case. He also complains that the subsequent decisions were not adequately reasoned.

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.

Tuesday 22 April 2025

Name	Main application number
Fortuzi v. Albania	29237/18
Aliyev v. Azerbaijan	57461/16
Sadigov v. Azerbaijan	48665/13

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Name	Main application number
Petrela and Others v. Albania	18948/22
Hajili v. Azerbaijan	27329/19
Žalud v. the Czech Republic	8055/23
Kalandia v. Georgia	27166/21
Moustakas v. Greece	42570/18
Neamțu v. the Republic of Moldova	63239/10
Stăvilă v. the Republic of Moldova	25819/12
Iurcovschi and Others v. the Republic of Moldova	44069/14
Andersen v. Poland	53662/20
Ferreira e Castro da Costa Laranjo and Salgado da Fonseca v. Portugal	28535/22
Cioroianu v. Romania	33766/18
Kostić v. Serbia	40410/07
Goropashyn v. Ukraine	67127/16
Krupnyk v. Ukraine	16505/23
Lupashku v. Ukraine	57149/14
Rozenblat v. Ukraine	77559/17
Pearce v. the United Kingdom	30205/23

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