



Forthcoming judgments and decisions

The European Court of Human Rights will be notifying in writing seven judgments on Tuesday 23 April 2024 and 67 judgments and / or decisions on Thursday 25 April 2024.

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 23 April 2024

[Sacharuk v. Lithuania \(application no. 39300/18\)](#)

The applicant, Aleksandr Sacharuk, is a Lithuanian national who was born in 1977 and lives in Vilnius.

He was a member of the *Seimas* (the Lithuanian Parliament). The case concerns his conviction in 2017 of abuse of office and of unlawful use of an official document because he had voted with another parliamentarian's identity card.

Relying on Article 6 § 1 (right to a fair trial) of the European Convention on Human Rights, Mr Sacharuk complains that the Supreme Court panel which upheld his conviction in 2018 had not been impartial. He also complains that he was the first parliamentarian who had ever been convicted for voting in the place of another member of the *Seimas*, as up until then this had been the "tradition" or working practice, and that he could not therefore have foreseen that he would be convicted, in breach of Article 7 (no punishment without law) of the European Convention.

[M.B. v. the Netherlands \(no. 71008/16\)](#)

The applicant, Mr M.B., is a Syrian national who was born in 1997 and at the time of lodging his application was being held in immigration detention in Rotterdam (the Netherlands).

The applicant entered the Netherlands in October 2015 and applied for asylum. He was arrested shortly afterwards on suspicion of participation in a terrorist organisation and placed in pre-trial detention. He was convicted to 10 months' detention by a first-instance Court. He was released in September 2016, but immediately placed in immigration detention pending the assessment of his asylum application. The case concerns the decision to order the applicant's immigration detention on the ground that he posed a threat to public order.

Relying on Article 5 § 1 (right to liberty and security) of the Convention, Mr M.B. alleges that this decision was unlawful and arbitrary.

[Zăicescu and Fălticaneanu v. Romania \(no. 42917/16\)](#)

The applicants, Leonard Zăicescu and Ana Fălticaneanu, are Romanian nationals who were born in 1927 and 1929 respectively. They live in Bucharest. They are Jews and Holocaust survivors.

The case concerns the retrial and acquittal of two army officers in the 1990s who were convicted in the 1950s of war crimes and crimes against humanity for their involvement in, among other crimes, the persecution of Romanian Jews in 1941, in particular the Iași pogrom, which Mr Zăicescu had survived, and the placement of a high number of Jews in ghettos, which was the case for both applicants.

Relying on Articles 3 (prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment) and 8 (right to respect for private and family life), both taken alone and in conjunction with Article 14 (prohibition of

discrimination), the applicants complain that the retrial proceedings' taking place, the resulting acquittals and the failure to inform them and the general public denied them an effective investigation into the Holocaust, and damaged their psychological integrity as Holocaust survivors. They also allege the authorities failed to take into account the anti-Semitic nature of the crimes, which amounted to discrimination.

[Aydın Sefa Akay v. Türkiye \(no. 59/17\)](#)

The applicant, Aydın Sefa Akay, is a Turkish national who was born in 1950. He started working as a legal advisor for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1987 and since then has held a number of overseas postings. He is currently detained in Rize (Türkiye) following his conviction in 2021 of being a member of an armed terrorist organisation.

The case concerns the arrest and pre-trial detention of the applicant, as well as the search of his house and person, in the aftermath of the 2016 attempted military coup, in spite of his diplomatic immunity as a UN judge. At the time he was a judge for the UN International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals and working remotely from Türkiye.

Relying on Article 5 § 1 (right to liberty and security) and Article 8 (right to respect for private life and home), the applicant alleges that his arrest, pre-trial detention and searches of his home and person were unlawful because they were in blatant disregard of his diplomatic immunity. He also specifically alleges under Article 5 § 1 (c) a lack of any reasonable suspicion warranting his pre-trial detention, which was predominantly based on his use of the ByLock smartphone application and, under Article 5 § 4, that the courts failed to address his arguments concerning his diplomatic immunity when examining his objections against his pre-trial detention.

Lastly, relying on Article 46 (binding force and enforcement), he asks the European Court to urgently order his immediate release.

[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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Kovács v. Hungary	9988/23
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A.F. and M.F. v. Italy	44715/22
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A.N. v. Norway	36588/22
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Nawrot and Others v. Poland	56923/21
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Bodor and Others v. Romania	19638/18
Buzdugan and Others v. Romania	78654/17
Szolomajer v. Romania	1548/20
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Antropov and Others v. Russia	1434/18
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