



## Grand Chamber Panel's decisions

At its latest meeting on Monday 15 September 2025, the Grand Chamber panel of five judges decided to refer the case of **Tergek v. Türkiye (no. 39631/20)** to the Grand Chamber and to reject the requests to refer ten other cases<sup>1</sup>.

A legal summary of this case will soon be available in the Court's database HUDOC ([link](#)).

### Referral accepted

#### **Tergek v. Türkiye (no. 39631/20)**

The applicant, Abdül Samed Tergek, is a Turkish national who was born in 1989 and is currently serving a prison sentence in Kocaeli T-Type Prison (Türkiye) following a conviction for membership of an armed terrorist organisation described by the Turkish authorities as the "Fetullahist Terror Organisation/Parallel State Structure".

The case concerns the withholding of correspondence to Mr Tergek from his wife by the prison authorities. The correspondence consisted of letters, notes, pictures and printed material from internet websites. The letters were ultimately given to Mr Tergek, but the printed material was not passed on to him.

Mr Tergek relies on Article 8 (right to respect for correspondence).

In its [judgment](#) of 29 April 2025, the Court held, by four votes to three, that there had been no violation of Article 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights.

On 15 September 2025 the case was referred to the Grand Chamber at the applicant's request.

### Requests for referral rejected

Judgments in the following 10 cases are now final:

**Doynov v. Bulgaria** (no. 27455/22), [judgment](#) of 1 April 2025

**Radelić v. Croatia** (no. 12432/22), [judgment](#) of 13 May 2025

**L.F. and Others v. Italy** (no. 52854/18), [judgment](#) of 6 May 2025

**Versaci v. Italy** (no. 3795/22), [judgment](#) of 15 May 2025

**Bădescu and Others v. Romania** (application nos. 22198/18 and 48856/18), [judgment](#) of 15 April 2025

**Hasani v. Sweden** (no. 35950/20), [judgment](#) of 6 March 2025

**Demirer v. Türkiye** (no. 45779/18), [judgment](#) of 25 March 2025

**Mustafa Aydın v. Türkiye** (no. 6696/20), [judgment](#) of 18 March 2025

<sup>1</sup> Under Article 43 of the European Convention on Human Rights, within three months from the date of a Chamber judgment, any party to the case may, in exceptional cases, request that the case be referred to the 17-judges Grand Chamber of the Court. In that event, a panel of five judges considers whether the case raises a serious question affecting the interpretation or application of the Convention or its protocols, or a serious issue of general importance, in which case the Grand Chamber will deliver a final judgment. If no such question or issue arises, the panel will reject the request, at which point the judgment becomes final. Otherwise, Chamber judgments become final on the expiry of the three-month period or earlier if the parties declare that they do not intend to make a request to refer.

**Golovchuk v. Ukraine** (nos. 16111/19 and 4737/21), [judgment](#) of 27 March 2025

**N.S. v. the United Kingdom** (no. 38134/20), [judgment](#) of 25 March 2025

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