EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS
COUR EUROPÉENNE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME

FIFTH SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 55830/07
Yuriy Ivanovich ANDRETSOV
against Ukraine

The European Court of Human Rights (Fifth Section), sitting on 18 October 2016 as a Committee composed of:

Erik Møse, *President,*
Yonko Grozev,
Mārtiņš Mits, *judges,*

and Anne-Marie Dougin, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 7 December 2007,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Yuriy Ivanovich Andretsov, is a Ukrainian national, who was born in 1947 and lives in Slovyansk, Ukraine.

The Ukrainian Government ("the Government") were represented by their Agent, Mr I. Lishchyna, from the Ministry of Justice.

The applicant complained under Articles 6 and 8 of the Convention that a newspaper interfered with his private and family life and the domestic courts failed to protect him from that interference.

The applicant's complaints under Articles 6 and 8 of the Convention were communicated to the Government, who submitted their observations on the admissibility and merits.

By letter dated 2 December 2015, the applicant was informed that his then representative could no longer act on his behalf and the applicant was asked to appoint another representative by 15 January 2016. No reply was received to this letter. By letter dated 26 April 2016, sent by registered post, the applicant was notified that the period allowed for submission of the requested information had expired on 15 January 2016 and that no extension

of time had been requested. The applicant's attention was drawn to Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention, which provides that the Court may strike a case out of its list of cases where the circumstances lead to the conclusion that the applicant does not intend to pursue the application. The applicant received this letter on 16 May 2016, but he has not replied to it.

THE LAW

The Court considers that, in these circumstances, the applicant may be regarded as no longer wishing to pursue his application, within the meaning of Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention. Furthermore, in accordance with Article 37 § 1 *in fine*, the Court finds no special circumstances regarding respect for human rights as defined in the Convention and its Protocols which require the continued examination of the case.

In view of the above, it is appropriate to strike the case out of the list.

For these reasons, the Court, unanimously,

Decides to strike the application out of its list of cases.

Done in English and notified in writing on 10 November 2016.

A.-M. Dougin
Acting Deputy Registrar

Erik Møse
President