

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

FIRST SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 29530/09
Andrey Borisovich BARANOV
against Russia

The European Court of Human Rights (First Section), sitting on 2 July 2013 as a Committee composed of:
Khanlar Hajiyev, *President,*
Erik Møse,
Dmitry Dedov, *judges,*
and André Wampach, *Deputy Section Registrar,*
Having regard to the above application lodged on 30 March 2009,
Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

1. The applicant, Mr Andrey Borisovich Baranov, is a Russian national, who had been born in 1969 and lived in Rostov-on-Don.

2. The Russian Government ("the Government") were represented by Mr G. Matyushkin, the Representative of the Russian Federation at the European Court of Human Rights.

3. The applicant complained under Article 3 of the Convention about the conditions of his detention in a Russian penitentiary facility.

4. By letter of 18 March 2013, the governor of the facility where the applicant was detained informed the Court that the applicant had died on 10 March 2013, without leaving relatives or heirs.

THE LAW

5. The Court notes that the applicant has deceased and that no relatives or heirs have manifested themselves. It has been the Court's practice to strike applications out of the list of cases in the absence of any heir or close relative who has expressed the wish to pursue an application (see *Léger v. France* (striking out) [GC], no. 19324/02, § 44, 30 March 2009, with further references). Furthermore, the Court does not consider that the present case involved an important question of general interest transcending the person and the interests of the individual applicant.

6. Accordingly, the Court concludes that it is no longer justified to continue the examination of the application within the meaning of Article 37 § 1 of the Convention.

7. 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.

André Wampach
Deputy Registrar

Khanlar Hajiyev
President