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

FIRST SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 92/12
Rafał BUKOWSKI
against Poland

The European Court of Human Rights (First Section), sitting on 12 December 2017 as a Committee composed of:

Aleš Pejchal, *President,*
Krzysztof Wojtyczek,
Armen Harutyunyan, *judges,*

and Renata Degener, *Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 7 December 2011,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

1. The applicant, Mr Rafał Bukowski, is a Polish national, who was born in 1979 and lived in Rzepin.

2. The applicant's complaint about the length of the criminal proceedings against him (Article 6 § 1 of the Convention) was communicated to the Polish Government, who were represented by their Agent, Ms J. Chrzanowska, of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

3. The applicant failed to respond to the Registry's letter of 22 February 2017, sent by registered post, reminding him that the period allowed for submission of his comments on the Government's unilateral declaration had expired on 16 December 2016. The applicant's attention was drawn to Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention and a fresh time-limit was fixed at 22 March 2017. This letter was returned unclaimed. The most recent Registry's letter to the applicant, of 2 March 2017, was returned to the Court with the annotation on the envelope: "the addressee moved out".

4. The applicant has not kept any contact with the Court since his last letter from September 2013.

THE LAW

5. 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.

6. 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 11 January 2018.

Renata Degener
Deputy Registrar

Aleš Pejchal
President