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

SECOND SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 81428/12
Orhan ÇETIN
against Turkey

The European Court of Human Rights (Second Section), sitting on 3 December 2020 as a Committee composed of:

Branko Lubarda, *President,*
Carlo Ranzoni,
Pauliine Koskelo, *judges,*

and Liv Tigerstedt, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 31 October 2012,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Orhan Çetin, was born in 1986.

He was represented by Mr Harcanoğlu a lawyer practising in Manisa.

The applicant's complaints under Article 6 §§ 1 and 3 (d) of the Convention concerning the alleged unfairness of the criminal proceedings against him on account of his inability to examine certain witnesses before the trial court were communicated to the Turkish Government ("the Government"), who submitted observations on the admissibility and merits of the case. The observations were forwarded to the applicant, who was invited to submit his own observations. However, no response has been received.

By letter dated 25 February 2020, sent by registered post, the applicant was notified that the period allowed for submission of his observations had expired on 19 February 2020 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 an application 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 9 March 2020. However, no response has been received.

THE LAW

In the light of the foregoing, and in the absence of any special circumstances regarding respect for the rights guaranteed by the Convention and the Protocols thereto, the Court, in accordance with Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention, considers that it is no longer justified to continue the examination of the application.

Accordingly, the case should be struck 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 14 January 2021.

Liv Tigerstedt Acting Deputy Registrar	Branko Lubarda President