

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

FOURTH SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 27814/16
Cătălin-Ovidiu HERGHELEGIU
against Romania

The European Court of Human Rights (Fourth Section), sitting on 8 September 2022 as a Committee composed of:

Armen Harutyunyan*, President,*
Jolien Schukking*,*
Ana Maria Guerra Martins*, judges,*
and Viktoriya Maradudina, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 2 September 2016,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Cătălin-Ovidiu Herghelegiu, was born in 1979. His complaints under Article 3 of the Convention concerning the inadequate conditions of detention were communicated to the Romanian Government ("the Government").

On 9 June 2021 a letter sent by the Registry to the applicant's attention was returned by the post on the grounds that the letter could not be delivered because the applicant had died.

On 29 April 2022 the Registry sent a letter, by registered post, to the applicant's home address, asking whether there was any potential heir wishing to pursue the proceedings before the Court. That letter was returned as unclaimed. No potential heir contacted the Court.

THE LAW

In the light of the foregoing, the Court concludes that the applicant has no heirs wishing to pursue the application within the meaning of Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention.

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 29 September 2022.

Viktoriya Maradudina
Acting Deputy Registrar

Armen Harutyunyan
President