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

FIRST SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 41253/11
Paweł KRANAS
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 17 June 2011,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

1. The applicant, Mr Paweł Kranas, is a Polish national, who was born in 1983 and detained in Warsaw.

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 communication letter of 31 August 2015, sent to the prison facility, was returned to the Court with an annotation that the applicant had been released on 8 April 2015 and the information of his new home address. On 30 September 2015, the communication letter was sent to this address but returned undelivered, with an annotation on the envelope: "the address does not exist". On 23 September 2016 the Registry sent another letter, by registered post, reminding the applicant that the period allowed for submission of his comments on the Government's unilateral declaration had expired on 17 August 2016. The applicant's attention was drawn to Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention and a fresh time-limit was fixed at

21 October 2016. This letter was returned undelivered. The most recent Registry's letter, of 14 December 2016, sent to another address provided by the applicant in his application form, was also returned undelivered.

4. The applicant has not kept any contact with the Court since his last letter from December 2011.

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