

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

FOURTH SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 49596/16
Zoltan-Andrei LORINCZ against Romania
and 20 other applications
(see appended table)

The European Court of Human Rights (Fourth Section), sitting on 20 January 2022 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 applications lodged on the various dates indicated in the appended table,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The list of the applicants is set out in the appendix.

The applicants' complaints under Article 3 of the Convention concerning the inadequate conditions of detention were communicated to the Romanian Government, who submitted observations on the admissibility and merits. The observations were forwarded to the applicants, who were invited to submit their own observations. No reply was received by the Court.

By letters sent by registered post, the applicants were notified that the time allowed for the submission of their observations had expired (see the appended table for the relevant dates). The applicants' attention was further 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.

No reply to these letters has been received by the Court (see details in the appended table).

THE LAW

Having regard to the similar subject matter of the applications, the Court finds it appropriate to examine them jointly in a single decision.

In the light of the foregoing, the Court concludes that the applicants may be regarded as no longer wishing to pursue the applications (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 the Protocols thereto which require the continued examination of the applications.

In view of the above, it is appropriate to strike the cases out of the list.

For these reasons, the Court, unanimously,

Decides to join the applications;

Decides to strike the application out of its list of cases.

Done in English and notified in writing on 10 February 2022.

Viktoriya Maradudina Acting Deputy Registrar	Armen Harutyunyan President

APPENDIX

List of applications raising complaints under Article 3 of the Convention (inadequate conditions of detention)

No.	Application no. Date of introduction	Applicant's name Year of birth	Representative's name and location	Date of the applicant's last letter to the Court	Date of the Court's registered letter	Date of receipt of the registered letter	New time-limit for submission of observations by the applicant	Date of the applicant's release from prison
1.	49596/16 03/10/2016	**Zoltan-Andrei LORINCZ** 1990		20/11/2017	22/09/2021	Letter delivered to the recipient on 21/10/2021 according to the official website of the Romania's Postal Service (Track & trace)	03/11/2021	03/10/2017
2.	50255/16 21/09/2016	**Vasile PLECANCIUC** 1986		05/10/2017	22/09/2021	Letter delivered to the recipient on 07/12/2021 according to the official website of the Irish Postal Service	03/11/2021	26/01/2017
3.	50844/16 27/09/2016	**Silviu-Mădălin TACHE** 1979		24/01/2017	22/09/2021	Returned to the Court on 18/10/2021 as unclaimed, the recipient was notified twice, according to the official website of Romania's Postal Service	03/11/2021	11/01/2017
4.	8451/19 14/10/2019	**Gheorghe ŐTVŐS** 1983	Eugenia Ötvös Hunedoara	02/01/2020	26/07/2021	04/06/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant	06/09/2021	25/10/2019
5.	33861/19 31/07/2019	**Constantin TOMA** 1991		26/04/2021	26/07/2021	06/08/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant's mother	06/09/2021	5/11/2020
6.	46113/19 18/12/2019	**Aurel-Gheorghe STĂNESCU** 1984		24/04/2020	26/07/2021	09/08/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant's wife	06/09/2021	11/08/2020
7.	48854/19 17/03/2020	**Claudiu FARCAŞ** 1981	Claudia Radu Oradea	10/07/2020	26/07/2021	Returned to the Court on 14/09/2021 as unclaimed, the recipient was notified on 04/08/2021	06/09/2021	02/09/2020
8.	53616/19 29/10/2019	**Sorin SPĂTARU** 1978		29/10/2019	26/03/2021	09/04/2021 Illegible signature	07/05/2021	07/04/2020

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9.	55476/19 16/12/2019	**Dan STOIAN** 1971		21/10/2020	26/03/2021	06/04/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant's aunt	07/05/2021	06/10/2020
10.	58337/19 09/12/2019	**Vasilică ODICĂ** 1994		10/02/2021	26/07/2021	04/08/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant's mother	06/09/2021	01/02/2021
11.	61921/19 19/12/2019	**George-Dragomir BOC** 1987		07/07/2020	26/03/2021	Letter delivered to the recipient on 05/04/2021 according to the official website of the Romania's Postal Service (Track & trace)	07/05/2021	16/06/2020
12.	62906/19 18/12/2019	**Ion Marian DOBRINAȘI** 1979		18/12/2019	26/03/2021	05/04/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant's father	07/05/2021	18/02/2020
13.	63086/19 20/01/2020	**Geilan ION** 1991		20/01/2020	26/03/2021	06/04/2021 Illegible signature	07/05/2021	In detention at Giurgiu Prison
14.	63141/19 20/11/2019	**Gavrilă Florin CRISTEA** 1979	Nicolae Stoica Cluj Napoca	29/03/2021	26/03/2021	08/04/2021 Illegible signature	07/05/2021	In detention at Aiud Prison
15.	484/20 27/01/2020	**Károly KÖLLÖ** 1951		27/01/2020	31/03/2021	12/04/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant	12/05/2021	15/07/2020
16.	3480/20 28/02/2020	**George-Gabriel STELIAN** 1986		05/03/2020	31/03/2021	13/04/2021 Illegible signature	12/05/2021	29/09/2020
17.	7019/20 26/03/2020	**Constantin-Emil SPRÎNCENATU** 1995		15/07/2020	31/03/2021	12/04/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant's mother	12/05/2021	08/09/2020
18.	10368/20 09/03/2020	**Ioan-Lucian MOISĂ** 1979		17/08/2020	31/03/2021	13/04/2021 Illegible signature	12/05/2021	In detention at Arad Prison
19.	11692/20 26/03/2020	**Iulian-Cristian CANDREA** 1977		17/04/2020	31/03/2021	12/04/2021 Signed for receipt by the applicant's grandmother	12/05/2021	In detention at Tulcea Prison
20.	11866/20 26/05/2020	**Niculae-George CRANTEA** 1975		08/09/2020	31/03/2021	12/04/2021 Signed for receipt by the representative of the prison administration	12/05/2021	In detention at Jilava Prison

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21.	15326/20 05/05/2020	**Florin-Adi BULEANDRĂ** 1986		02/06/2020	31/03/2021	12/04/2021 Signed for receipt by the representative of the prison administration	12/05/2021	In detention at Rahova Prison