

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

FIRST SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 71647/11
Željko MARIĆ
against Croatia

The European Court of Human Rights (First Section), sitting on 2 July 2013 as a Committee composed of:

Elisabeth Steiner, *President,*
Mirjana Lazarova Trajkovska,
Ksenija Turković, *judges,*

and André Wampach, *Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 31 October 2011,

Having regard to the formal declarations accepting a friendly settlement of the case,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

## FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Željko Marić, is a Croatian national, who was born in 1959 and lives in Lučko.

The Croatian Government ("the Government") were represented by their Agent, Ms Š. Stažnik.

The applicant complained under Article 6 § 1 of the Convention about the length of proceedings before the Constitutional Court.

On 10 May 2013 and 17 May 2013 the Court received friendly settlement declarations signed by the parties under which the applicant agreed to waive any further claims against Croatia in respect of the facts giving rise to this application against an undertaking by the Government to pay him 2,700 euros to cover any non-pecuniary damage as well as costs

and expenses, which would be converted into Croatian kunas at the rate applicable on the date of payment, and would be free of any taxes that may be applicable. It would be payable within three months from the date of notification of the decision taken by the Court. In the event of failure to pay this sum within the said three-month period, the Government undertook to pay simple interest on it, from the expiry of that period until settlement, at a rate equal to the marginal lending rate of the European Central Bank during the default period plus three percentage points. The payment would constitute the final resolution of the case.

## THE LAW

The Court takes note of the friendly settlement reached between the parties. It is satisfied that the settlement is based on respect for human rights as defined in the Convention and its Protocols and finds no reasons to justify a continued examination of the application. 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 in accordance with Article 39 of the Convention.

André Wampach
Deputy Registrar

Elisabeth Steiner
President