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

THIRD SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 56782/08
Andrey Vasilyevich ROMANOV
against Russia

The European Court of Human Rights (Third Section), sitting on 6 June 2017 as a Committee composed of:

Helen Keller, *President,*
Pere Pastor Vilanova,
Alena Poláčková, *judges,*
and Fatoş Aracı, *Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 15 September 2008,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Andrey Vasilyevich Romanov, is a Russian national, who was born in 1980 and lives in Yoshkar-Ola.

The Russian Government ("the Government") were represented initially by Mr G. Matyushkin, the Representative of the Russian Federation to the European Court of Human Rights, and then by his successor in that office, Mr M. Galperin.

The applicant complained that he had been unlawfully detained and ill-treated by police officers and that evidence obtained as a result of his ill-treatment had been used in criminal proceedings against him.

The applicant's complaints were communicated to the Government, who submitted their observations on the admissibility and merits. On 24 February 2016 the observations were forwarded to the applicant, who was invited to submit his observations. No reply was received to the Registry's letter.

By a letter dated 11 October 2016 the applicant was notified that the period allowed for submission of his observations had expired on 27 April

2016 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 a case 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 31 October 2016. No response has been received by the Court.

THE LAW

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.

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 29 June 2017.

Fatoş Aracı
Deputy Registrar

Helen Keller
President