

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

FOURTH SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 59222/16
Vasile Marius RUSU against Romania
and 9 other applications
(see appended table)

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 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) and there are no previous letters from the applicants informing the Court about the change of address.

All applicants have been released from prison.

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 applications 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

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.	59222/16 14/11/2016	**Vasile Marius RUSU** 1993		03/03/2017	16/09/2021	According to the Post Service, returned to sender on 11/10/2021	28/10/2021	15/06/2017
2.	72173/16 13/02/2017	**Theodor SĂCĂLEANU** 1969	Daniela Arhire Iași	29/10/2020	11/10/2021	20/10/2021 Signed for by the representative - lawyer	22/11/2021	22/11/2016
3.	6184/17 15/02/2017	**Alexandru CRISTOFAN** 1988		17/02/2021	23/07/2021	03/08/2021 Signed by a relative	03/09/2021	23/05/2017
4.	10542/17 14/04/2017	**Gheorghe-Daniel IONESCU** 1977		08/12/2020	23/07/2021	02/08/2021 Signed by the addressee	03/09/2021	17/11/2016
5.	23808/17 20/03/2017	**Otto-Oliver HORVATH** 1986		03/03/2020	11/10/2021	According to the Post Service, returned to sender on 20/10/2021	22/11/2021	28/02/2017
6.	26011/17 04/05/2017	**Marius BĂLTEANU** 1977		20/07/2017	11/10/2021	According to the Post Service, returned to sender on 01/11/2021	22/11/2021	16/05/2017

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7.	37195/17 11/05/2017	**Marian CONSTANTIN** 1979		28/04/2021	16/09/2021	29/09/2021 Signed by a relative	28/10/2021	23/11/2016
8.	45339/17 25/07/2017	**Mircea BUTUC** 1977		11/09/2017	11/10/2021	Returned as 'unclaimed' on 01/12/2021	22/11/2021	29/08/2017
9.	72090/17 29/09/2017	**Nicolae CANTARAGIU** 1976	Silvica Petrovici Bacău	25/09/2020	11/10/2021	20/10/2021 Signed for by the representative - lawyer	22/11/2021	27/06/2017
10.	73913/17 09/10/2017	**Gabriel-Ionuț IONIȚĂ** 1970		13/10/2017	11/10/2021	According to the Post Service, returned to sender on 01/11/2021	22/11/2021	11/04/2017