

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

SECOND SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 21529/19
Fatih Cihan ŞILA
against Türkiye

The European Court of Human Rights (Second Section), sitting on 18 September 2025 as a Committee composed of:

Gediminas Sagatys*, President*,
Stéphane Pisani,
Juha Lavapuro*, judges*,

and Viktoriya Maradudina, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 11 April 2019,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Fatih Cihan Şıla, was born in 1987.

The applicant's complaint under Article 8 of the Convention, concerning the prison administration's confiscation of the applicant's books, was communicated to the Turkish Government ("the Government"), who submitted observations on the admissibility and merits. The observations were forwarded to the applicant, who was invited to submit his own observations. No reply was received to the Registry's letter.

By letter dated 28 May 2025, sent by registered post, the applicant was notified that the period allowed for submission of his observations had expired on 11 March 2025 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 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.

The applicant received that letter on 6 June 2025. However, no response has followed.

THE LAW

In the light of the foregoing, and in the absence of any special circumstances regarding respect for the rights guaranteed by the Convention and the Protocols thereto, the Court, in accordance with Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention, considers that it is no longer justified to continue the examination of the application.

Accordingly, the case should be struck 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 9 October 2025.

Viktoriya Maradudina Acting Deputy Registrar	Gediminas Sagatys President