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

FOURTH SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 11688/20
Constantin SMARANDACHE against Romania
and 8 other applications
(see appended table)

The European Court of Human Rights (Fourth Section), sitting on 6 February 2025 as a Committee composed of:

Anne Louise Bormann*, President*,
Sebastian Răduleţu,
András Jakab*, 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 (see the appended table for the relevant dates). 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. The registered letters either were received by the applicants or were returned to the Court (see details in the appended table). There are no previous letters from the applicants informing the Court about a change of address.

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 6 March 2025.

Viktoriya Maradudina Acting Deputy Registrar	Anne Louise Bormann 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	Date of the applicant's last letter to the Court	Date of sending Government's observations to the applicant	Time-limit for submission of response by the applicant	Date of the Court's registered letter	Date of receipt/return of the registered letter
1.	11688/20 18/03/2020	**Constantin SMARANDACHE** 1986	09/07/2024	23/10/2023	04/12/2023	16/08/2024	23/08/2024 Illegible signature
2.	30806/20 10/07/2020	**Dan ANDREI** 1990	03/01/2024	12/04/2024	24/05/2024	23/07/2024	31/07/2024 Signed for receipt by the applicant's wife
3.	33186/20 20/07/2020	**Ionuț-Georgian DOBRE** 1992	05/04/2024	12/04/2024	24/05/2024	23/07/2024	01/08/2024 Signed for receipt by the Gherla prison's authorities
4.	39549/20 08/02/2021	**Fernando GHEREBEN** 1997	27/04/2021	12/04/2024	24/05/2024	23/07/2024	12/08/2024 Signed for receipt by the applicant's mother
5.	45620/20 16/11/2020	**Nicolae PUIȘOR** 1972	08/02/2021	12/04/2024	24/05/2024	23/07/2024	01/08/2024 Signed for receipt by a relative of the applicant
6.	46836/20 20/11/2020	**Sándor CSIBI** 1992	02/08/2024	12/04/2024	24/05/2024	16/08/2024	26/08/2024 Illegible signature
7.	7462/21 15/01/2021	**Costel CRISTEA** 1968	15/01/2021	28/03/2024	10/05/2024	05/06/2024	Returned to sender on 02/08/2024 as "unclaimed"

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8.	7718/21 04/03/2021	**Gheorghe BROŞTENEANŢU** 1984	04/03/2021	14/03/2024	25/04/2024	15/05/2024 05/08/2024	Returned to sender from prison on 14/06/2024 as "unclaimed" Returned to sender as "recipient released"
9.	17936/21 02/07/2021	**Aurel-Gheorghe BETEAN** 1976	25/04/2022	02/10/2023	13/11/2023	18/12/2023 05/06/2024	Returned to sender from prison on 01/02/2024 as "unknown" 14/06/2024 Signed for receipt by the applicant's brother