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

SECOND SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 19322/18
Zoran STOJANOVIĆ and Others against Serbia
(see appended table)

The European Court of Human Rights (Second Section), sitting on 3 December 2020 as a Committee composed of:

Carlo Ranzoni, *President,*
Branko Lubarda,
Pauliine Koskelo, *judges,*
and Liv Tigerstedt, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 10 April 2018,

Having regard to the observations submitted by the respondent Government and the observations in reply submitted by the applicants,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The list of applicants is set out in the appended table.

The applicants were represented by Ms J. Mihailović, a lawyer practising in Valjevo.

The applicants' complaints under Article 6 § 1 of the Convention concerning the excessive length of administrative proceedings were communicated to the Serbian Government ("the Government").

THE LAW

In the present application, having examined all the material before it, the Court considers that for the reasons stated below, the complaints concerning the excessive length of the impugned administrative proceedings are inadmissible.

The Court notes that the administrative proceedings started on 6 November 2009 when the applicants filed an appeal with the competent second-instance administrative body (see *Počuča v. Croatia*, no. 38550/02,

§ 30, 29 June 2006). It would appear that the proceedings are still pending almost 11 years later.

However, the Court observes that as regards the period from 6 November 2009 to 26 October 2017, the applicants can no longer claim to be victims within the meaning of Article 34 of the Convention since on the latter date the Constitutional Court expressly acknowledged the alleged breach and awarded the applicants 800 euros each in respect of non-pecuniary damage. Although that amount is lower than those awarded by the Court, the Court considers that it is still reasonable in view of the particular circumstance of this case, notably, the large number of applicants and the rather limited stakes involved in the case (see *Sinđelić and Others v. Serbia* (dec.), no. 7129/15, 29 August 2019).

As regards the period after 26 October 2017, the applicants failed to exhaust all effective domestic remedies as required by Article 35 §§ 1 of the Convention since they should complain again to the Constitutional Court about any further delays (see *Becová v. Slovakia* (dec.), no. 23788/06, 18 September 2007).

In view of the above, the Court concludes that the application must be rejected in accordance with Article 35 §§ 1, 3 and 4 of the Convention.

For these reasons, the Court, unanimously,

Declares the application inadmissible.

Done in English and notified in writing on 14 January 2021.

Liv Tigerstedt Acting Deputy Registrar	Carlo Ranzoni President

APPENDIX

Application raising complaints under Article 6 § 1 of the Convention
(excessive length of civil and/or administrative proceedings)

Application no. Date of introduction	Applicant's name Year of birth	Start of proceedings	End of proceedings	Total length Levels of jurisdiction	Relevant domestic decision Domestic award in respect of non-pecuniary damage (in euros)
19322/18 10/04/2018 (32 applicants)	**Zoran STOJANOVIĆ** 1989 **Goran ĐORĐEVIĆ** 1966 **Zoran LEPOVIĆ** 1970 **Zoran TANASKOVIĆ** 1980 **Darko VUKMIROVIĆ** 1975 **Srđan VUKOJIČIĆ** 1976 **Dejan STEFANOVIĆ** 1983 **Rade DIMITRIJEVIĆ** 1969 **Suzana GRBIĆ** 1977 **Slaviša VELIČKOVIĆ** 1966 **Milan NIKOLIĆ** 1988 **Aleksandar BEKČIĆ** 1987 **Slaviša ORLOVIĆ** 1971 **Radojko LUKOVIĆ** 1973 **Živoin RISTIĆ** 1971	06/11/2009	pending	More than 10 years and 11 months and 24 days 1 level of jurisdiction	Constitutional Court Už-2465/2016 26/10/2017 800 euros

Application no. Date of introduction	Applicant's name Year of birth	Start of proceedings	End of proceedings	Total length Levels of jurisdiction	Relevant domestic decision Domestic award in respect of non-pecuniary damage (in euros)
	Slavko ZEČEVIĆ 1968 **Branislav MITIĆ** 1968 **Bojan POPOVIĆ** 1971 **Jelena ŽIVKOVIĆ** 1982 **Ivan PREŠIĆ** 1979 **Aleksandar PETROVIĆ** 1971 **Slađan MATOVIĆ** 1973 **Miodrag KOJIĆ** 1967 **Spaso MLADENOVIĆ** 1969 **Saša ŽIVKOVIĆ** 1977 **Dejan RISTIĆ** 1970 **Novica JAKOVLJEVIĆ** 1969 **Dragan ŽIVKOVIĆ** 1969 **Petar PETROVIĆ** 1970 **Rakić VUKIĆ** 1966 **Slađan PANTIĆ** 1969 **Darko DUBOVAC** 1968				