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

FIRST SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 26968/21
Pál VARGA and Zsolt VARGA against Hungary
and 9 other applications
(see appended table)

The European Court of Human Rights (First Section), sitting on 16 May 2024 as a Committee composed of:

Gilberto Felici*, President*,
Péter Paczolay,
Raffaele Sabato*, judges*,

and Attila Teplán, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above applications lodged on the various dates indicated in the appended table,

Having regard to the formal declarations accepting a friendly settlement of the cases,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

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

The applicants' complaints under Article 6 § 1 of the Convention concerning the excessive length of civil proceedings were communicated to the Hungarian Government ("the Government"). In some of the applications, complaints based on the same facts were also communicated under other provisions of the Convention.

The Court received the friendly-settlement declarations, signed by the parties, under which the applicants agreed to waive any further claims against Hungary in respect of the facts giving rise to these applications, subject to an undertaking by the Government to pay them the amounts detailed in the appended table. These amounts will be converted into the currency of the respondent State at the rate applicable on the date of payment, and will be payable within three months from the date of notification of the Court's decision. In the event of failure to pay these amounts within the

above-mentioned three-month period, the Government undertake to pay simple interest on them, from the expiry of that period until settlement, at a rate equal to the marginal lending rate of the European Central Bank during the default period plus three percentage points.

The payment will constitute the final resolution of the cases.

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.

The Court takes note of the friendly settlement reached between the parties. It is satisfied that the settlement is based on respect for human rights as defined in the Convention and the Protocols thereto and finds no reasons to justify a 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 in accordance with Article 39 of the Convention.

Done in English and notified in writing on 6 June 2024.

Attila Teplán Acting Deputy Registrar	Gilberto Felici President

APPENDIX

List of applications raising complaints under Article 6 § 1 of the Convention (excessive length of civil proceedings)

No.	Application no. Date of introduction	Applicant's name Year of birth	Representative's name and location	Other complaints under well-established case-law	Date of receipt of Government's declaration	Date of receipt of Applicant's declaration	Amount awarded for pecuniary and non-pecuniary damage and costs and expenses per applicant/household (in euros)[1]
1.	26968/21 18/05/2021	**Pál VARGA** 1937 **Zsolt VARGA** 1970	Hangyál Edit Budapest	Art. 13 - lack of any effective remedy in domestic law in respect of excessive length of civil proceedings	08/04/2024	10/01/2024	3,900
2.	25588/22 20/05/2022	**Tamás SZTÁNYI** 1970	Gerencsér Éva Budapest		10/01/2024	09/02/2024	2,600
3.	47712/22 12/09/2022	**Tamás FÉL** 1970	Frank Evelyn Budapest		25/01/2024	04/03/2024	1,000
4.	20664/23 19/05/2023	Household **Árpád KALÁNYOS** 1970 **Olga KALÁNYOS** 1971	Schüller Adrienn Budapest		22/02/2024	26/02/2024	1,100
5.	28280/23 11/07/2023	**László PASZTERNÁK** 1942	Kiss Dániel Bálint Budapest	Art. 13 - lack of any effective remedy in domestic law in respect of excessive length of civil proceedings	15/04/2024	09/01/2024	1,000
6.	29137/23 11/07/2023	**János István IMRE** 1953	Kiss Dániel Bálint Budapest	Art. 13 - lack of any effective remedy in domestic law in respect of excessive length of civil proceedings	08/04/2024	11/01/2024	1,000
7.	29544/23 18/07/2023	**László PASZTERNÁK** 1975	Kiss Dániel Bálint Budapest	Art. 13 - lack of any effective remedy in domestic law in respect of excessive length of civil proceedings	15/04/2024	09/01/2024	1,000
8.	30051/23 20/07/2023	**Tímea PASZTERNÁK** 1973	Kiss Dániel Bálint Budapest	Art. 13 - lack of any effective remedy in domestic law in respect of excessive length of civil proceedings	15/04/2024	09/01/2024	1,000

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9.	34925/23 07/09/2023 (13 applicants)	**József Attiláné KÁRÁSZ** 1962 **Béláné BARZSÓ** 1943 **Tibor DORMÁN** 1949 **Andrea Margit FARKAS** 1969 **Józsefné FARKAS** 1943 **Gábor Ferenc FERENCZI** 1952 **Mária Klára GRAFFNÉ KAUFMANN** 1955 **Ede HAÁG** 1947 **János MÁRTA** 1962 **Lajos MIKOLAI** 1940 **Anna Terézia MISZORI** 1944 **Tiborné MOSONYI** 1937 **Lajosné NAGY** 1941	Kiss Dániel Bálint Budapest	Art. 13 - lack of any effective remedy in domestic law in respect of excessive length of civil proceedings	06/02/2024	31/01/2024	2,000
10.	36179/23 22/09/2023	**Kálmánné MIKOLA** 1959	Kodela Viktor Budapest		15/04/2024	11/01/2024	1,300

[1] Plus any tax that may be chargeable to the applicants.