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

THIRD SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 36354/15
VIRJINA KICHIK MUASSISASI
against Azerbaijan

The European Court of Human Rights (Third Section), sitting on 2 October 2025 as a Committee composed of:

Diana Kovatcheva*, President*,
Canòlic Mingorance Cairat,
Vasilka Sancin*, judges*,

and Viktoriya Maradudina, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 9 July 2015,

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

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant company's details are set out in the appended table.

The applicant company was represented by Mr A. Mustafayev and Mr R. Mustafazade, lawyers based in Azerbaijan.

The applicant company's complaint under Article 10 of the Convention concerning the refusal by the National Television and Radio Council to grant it a licence for cable television broadcasting was communicated to the Azerbaijani Government ("the Government"). Complaint based on the same facts was also communicated under Article 6 of the Convention.

The Court received the friendly-settlement declarations, signed by the parties, under which the applicant company agreed to waive any further claims against Azerbaijan in respect of the facts giving rise to this application, subject to an undertaking by the Government to pay it 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 case.

THE LAW

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 application.

In view of the above, it is appropriate to strike the case out of the list.

For these reasons, the Court, unanimously,

Decides to strike the application out of its list of cases in accordance with Article 39 of the Convention.

Done in English and notified in writing on 23 October 2025.

Viktoriya Maradudina Acting Deputy Registrar	Diana Kovatcheva President

APPENDIX

Application raising complaints under Articles 6 and 10 of the Convention (refusal to grant a broadcasting licence and unfairness of the related proceedings)

Application no. Date of introduction	Applicant company's name	Representatives' name and location	Date of receipt of Government's declaration	Date of receipt of Applicant company's declaration	Amount awarded for non-pecuniary damage (in euros)[1]	Amount awarded for costs and expenses (in euros)[2]
36354/15 09/07/2015	**VIRJINA KICHIK MUASSISASI**	Asabali MUSTAFAYEV Sumgayit Ruslan MUSTAFAZADE Sumgayit	02/09/2025	28/07/2025	3,250	500 (to be paid directly to the bank account of Mr A. Mustafayev)

[1] Plus any tax that may be chargeable to the applicant company.
[2] Plus any tax that may be chargeable to the applicant company.