

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

FIFTH SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 33529/13
Andrey Yuryevich VOVK
against Ukraine

The European Court of Human Rights (Fifth Section), sitting on 20 January 2022 as a Committee composed of:

Lətif Hüseynov, *President,*
Lado Chanturia,
Arnfinn Bårdsen, *judges,*
and Viktoriya Maradudina, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application lodged on 16 May 2013,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Andrey Yuryevich Vovk, was born in 1991. He was represented by Ms N.G. Okhotnikova, a lawyer practising in Kyiv.

The applicant's complaints under Articles 3 and 6 of the Convention concerning his alleged ill-treatment and breach of his right to a fair trial were communicated to the Ukrainian Government ("the Government"), who submitted observations on the admissibility and merits. The observations were forwarded to the applicant, who was invited to submit his observations in response and his claims for just satisfaction.

On 14 September 2021 Ms Okhotnikova asked the Court to extend the time-limit allowed for the applicant to submit his observations, having indicated that she had lost contact with him and that she needed more time to reach out to him. Following the expiration of the extended time-limit on 2 November 2021, Ms Okhotnikova informed the Court that her attempts to contact the applicant and his family by all available means had been unsuccessful and that she had been unable to establish the applicant's whereabouts.

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 (compare *Oliyevskyy v. Ukraine* (dec.) [Committee], no. 65117/11, 14 January 2020).

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 10 February 2022.

Viktoriya Maradudina Acting Deputy Registrar	Lətif Hüseynov President