

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

SECOND SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 19582/21
Salih YILDIRIM
against Türkiye

The European Court of Human Rights (Second Section), sitting on 26 March 2026 as a Committee composed of:

Stéphane Pisani*, President*,
Juha Lavapuro,
Hugh Mercer*, judges*,

and Viktoriya Maradudina, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar,*

Having regard to the above application against the Republic of Türkiye lodged with the Court under Article 34 of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms ("the Convention") on 2 April 2021,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The applicant, Mr Salih Yıldırım, was born in 1950. He was represented by Mr Y.D. Özen, a lawyer practising in Istanbul.

The applicant's complaints under Article 1 of Protocol No. 1, concerning the failure to award him compensation for the unlawful demolition of the unauthorised construction, as well as under Article 6 of the Convention, concerning the failure to notify him of the pleadings in compensation proceedings, were communicated to the Turkish Government ("the Government"), who submitted observations on the admissibility and merits.

By letter dated 31 October 2025, sent via the Court's Electronic Communication Service (eComms) and by registered post, the applicant's representative was notified that the period allowed for submission of the observations had expired on 28 October 2025 and that no extension of time had been requested. The applicant's attention was 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.

The letter sent by post was returned to the Court with the mention "unclaimed". However, the applicant's representative downloaded this correspondence on his eComms account twice, on 6 November 2025 and then on 26 February 2026. No response has followed.

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.

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 16 April 2026.

Viktoriya Maradudina Acting Deputy Registrar	Stéphane Pisani President