



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

## FIRST SECTION

### DECISION

Application no. 3243/08  
Radik Davlyatovich KARAMOV against Russia  
and 4 other applications  
(see list appended)

The European Court of Human Rights (First Section), sitting on 6 May 2014 as a Committee composed of:

Khanlar Hajiyeu, *President*,

Julia Laffranque,

Erik Møse, *judges*,

and André Wampach, *Deputy Section Registrar*,

Having regard to the above applications lodged on the dates indicated in the appendix,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

## FACTS AND PROCEDURE

A list of the applicants is set out in the appendix.

The Russian Government (“the Government”) were represented by Mr G. Matyushkin, Representative of the Russian Federation at the European Court of Human Rights.

The applicants complained, among other matters, under Article 3 of the Convention about the conditions of their detention in Russian penitentiary facilities.

These complaints were communicated to the Government, who on 24 May 2013 submitted their observations. These submissions were forwarded to the applicants, who were invited to submit their observations in reply.

On various dates the above letters returned to the Court as unclaimed or undeliverable due to a change of the recipients’ addresses.

Although the applicants knew that they had the obligation to inform the Court of any change in their addresses and about any major developments regarding their cases, they did not provide the Court with such information.

## THE LAW

According to Article 37 § 1 of the Convention, the Court may strike a case out of its list of cases where the circumstances lead to the conclusion that the applicant does not intend to pursue the application.

The Court considers that the applicants' failure to inform the Registry about the change of their addresses despite such explicit obligation highlighted in the Registry's letters must be taken to indicate that they have lost interest in the proceedings, within the meaning of Article 37 § 1 (a) of the Convention. Furthermore, in accordance with Article 37 § 1 *in fine*, the Court finds no special circumstances regarding respect for human rights as defined in the Convention and its Protocols which require the continued examination of these cases.

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 them out of its list of cases.

André Wampach  
Deputy Registrar

Khanlar Hajiyev  
President

**APPENDIX**

<b>No</b>	<b>Application No</b>	<b>Lodged on</b>	<b>Applicant Date of birth Place of residence</b>
1.	3243/08	01/11/2007	<b>Radik Davlyatovich KARAMOV</b> 06/10/1971 Perm
2.	16222/09	04/05/2009	<b>Sergey Vladimirovich GERMANOV</b> 17/01/1965 Uryupinsk
3.	34359/12	10/01/2012	<b>Oleg Aleksandrovich KITAYEV</b> 11/08/1969 Voronezh
4.	34579/12	23/10/2011	<b>Yuriy Alekseyevich KUZIN</b> 12/04/1968 Klekotki
5.	71657/12	09/12/2009	<b>Eduard Valeryevich ZHERNAKOV</b> 24/09/1969 Tver