



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

FIRST SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 45803/08
Igor Ivanovich SOROKIN
against Russia

The European Court of Human Rights (First Section), sitting on 18 November 2014 as a Committee composed of:

Khanlar Hajiyeu, *President*,

Julia Laffranque,

Dmitry Dedov, *judges*,

and Søren Prebensen, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar*,

Having regard to the above application lodged on 9 August 2008,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

1. The applicant, Mr Igor Ivanovich Sorokin, is a Russian national, who was born in 1954. He was represented before the Court by Ms V. Panasenko, a lawyer practising in Moscow.

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

3. The applicant complained, among other matters, under Article 3 of the Convention about the conditions of his pre-trial detention in a remand prison.

4. This complaint was communicated to the Government, who on 7 March 2014 submitted their observations. By letter dated 12 March 2014 these submissions were forwarded to the applicant’s representative, who was invited to submit their observations in reply.

5. By letter dated 5 July 2014, sent by registered post, the Court informed the applicant’s representative that the period allowed for submission of their observations in reply had expired and that no extension of time had been requested. The Court warned that in such circumstances it

could conclude that the applicant no longer intended to pursue the complaint and strike his application out of the list of cases.

6. On 22 September 2014 the above letter returned to the Court as unclaimed or undeliverable due to a change of the recipient's address.

THE LAW

7. The Court considers that in these circumstances the applicant may be regarded as no longer wishing to pursue his application, 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 the case.

8. 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.

Søren Prebensen
Acting Deputy Registrar

Khanlar Hajiyev
President