



DECISION TO STRIKE OUT

Case no. CH/98/1256

Željko JELIČIĆ

against

**BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
and
THE FEDERATION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA**

The Human Rights Chamber for Bosnia and Herzegovina, sitting as the First Panel on 5 December 2002 with the following members present:

Ms. Michèle PICARD, President
Mr. Rona AYBAY, Vice-President
Mr. Dietrich RAUSCHNING
Mr. Hasan BALIĆ
Mr. Želimir JUKA
Mr. Miodrag PAJIĆ
Mr. Andrew GROTRIAN

Mr. Ulrich GARMS, Registrar
Ms. Olga KAPIĆ, Deputy Registrar

Having considered the aforementioned application introduced pursuant to Article VIII(1) of the Human Rights Agreement ("the Agreement") set out in Annex 6 to the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina;

Adopts the following decision pursuant to Article VIII(3)(b) of the Agreement and Rule 52 of the Chamber's Rules of Procedure:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The application was introduced on 26 October 1998.
2. The applicant complains that the respondent Parties did not permit him to repossess his pre-war apartment located at Ulica 29. novembra 4a, entrance no. 1, third floor (apartment no. 16) in Bihać, although the applicant initiated the procedure to purchase the apartment from the former Yugoslav National Army ("JNA") and paid the full price.
3. On 31 October 2002, the applicant submitted documents stating that he had entered into possession of and privatised the apartment in question. The applicant did not state anything as to whether he wishes to pursue his application before the Chamber.

II. OPINION OF THE CHAMBER

4. In accordance with Article VIII(3) of the Agreement, "the Chamber may decide at any point in its proceedings to suspend consideration of, reject or strike out, an application on the ground that ... (b) the matter has been resolved; ... provided that such a result is consistent with the objective of respect for human rights."
5. Considering that the applicant entered into possession of and privatised his pre-war apartment, the Chamber finds that the matter raised in the application has been resolved. Furthermore, the Chamber finds no special circumstances regarding respect for human rights which require the examination of the application to be continued. The Chamber therefore decides to strike out the application.

III. CONCLUSION

6. For these reasons, the Chamber, unanimously,

STRIKES OUT THE APPLICATION.

(signed)
Ulrich GARMS
Registrar of the Chamber

(signed)
Michèle PICARD
President of the First Panel