



DECISION TO STRIKE OUT

Case no. CH/01/8141

Vojin RISTIĆ

against

THE FEDERATION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

The Human Rights Chamber for Bosnia and Herzegovina, sitting as the First Panel on 6 June 2003 with the following members present:

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

Mr. Ulrich GARMS, Registrar
Ms. Olga KAPIĆ, Deputy Registrar
Ms. Antonia DE MEO, 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 Rules 49(2) and 52 of the Chamber's Rules of Procedure:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The application was introduced on 21 December 2001 and registered on the same day.
2. The case concerns attempts of the applicant to regain possession of his pre-war apartment, located at Dragica Mitrović Street no. 15 in Maglaj, the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.
3. The applicant requested that the Chamber order the respondent Party, as a provisional measure, to take all necessary action to evict the temporary occupant from the apartment in question and to forbid the purchase of it. On 19 April 2002, the Chamber decided not to order the provisional measure requested.
4. On 3 March 2003, the applicant informed the Chamber that he had regained possession of his pre-war apartment.

II. OPINION OF THE CHAMBER

5. 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.”
6. Considering that the applicant has repossessed his property, 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, pursuant to Article VIII(3)(b) of the Agreement.

III. CONCLUSION

7. 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