



OUR CASES
2017

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CASE	PARTNER ORGANISATION/ LAWYER	STATUS IN 2017	RELEVANT HUMAN RIGHTS PROVISIONS	NUMBER OF APPLICANTS	OVERVIEW OF THE FACTS AS ARGUED BY APPLICANTS
ARMENIA					
Dareskizb Ltd. v Armenia	Europe in Law Association	Replied to Government's observations	Freedom of expression	1	Publisher found guilty of defamation of 3 politicians in an article concerning their involvement in criminal schemes.
Investigative Journalists NGO v Armenia	Europe in Law Association	Request for relinquishment to Grand Chamber	Freedom of expression	1	Civil defamation case brought against NGO.
Farmanyan & others v Armenia	Individual lawyer	Request for relinquishment to Grand Chamber	Right to life; Prohibition of torture; Right to an effective remedy	9	Deaths of 9 people, including an army conscript, during demonstrations on 1 March 2008.
Sargsyan v Azerbaijan	Legal Guide	Judgment (just satisfaction)	Respect for private and family life; Right to an effective remedy; Protection of property	1	Property rights of Armenian refugees who fled Nagorno-Karabakh; judgment on just satisfaction claim only.
Hovhannisyan & Nazaryan v Armenia	n/a	Communicated	Right to life; Freedom of expression; Right to an effective remedy	2	Death in a non-combat situation in the Armenian military and subsequent failure to adequately investigate.
Karapetyan & others v Armenia	n/a	Request for referral to Grand Chamber	Freedom of expression	4	Dismissal from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of senior civil servants, who made a statement raising concerns about fraud during the 2008 presidential elections.
AZERBAIJAN					
Hasanov v Azerbaijan	Individual lawyer	Submitted ECtHR application	Right to a fair trial; Freedom of expression; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights; Protection of property	1	Disbarment of human rights lawyer following his politically-motivated conviction for slander, aimed at preventing him from continuing his professional activities.
Azadliq & others v Azerbaijan	Individual lawyer	Submitted ECtHR application	Freedom of expression; Right to an effective remedy; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights	4	Blocking of 4 major opposition or independent news websites in Azerbaijan.
Guliyeva & Safarova v Azerbaijan	Individual lawyer	Submitted ECtHR application	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Respect for home; Right to an effective remedy; Prohibition of discrimination; Protection of property	2	Forced eviction, demolition of IDPs' personal property and failure to award compensation.
Ismayilova v Azerbaijan	Individual lawyer	Submitted ECtHR application; Communicated	Respect for private and family life; Freedom of expression; Right to an effective remedy; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights; Freedom of movement	1	A travel ban imposed on Khadija Ismayil following her conditional release from prison.
PAAFE v Azerbaijan	Individual lawyer	Submitted ECtHR application	Right to a fair trial; Freedom of association; Right to an effective remedy	1	Denial of registration to NGO on multiple occasions in 2014.

Tagiyeva v Azerbaijan	Individual lawyer	Replied to Government's observations	Right to life; Freedom of expression; Right to an effective remedy	1	Murder of a columnist/writer Rafiq Tagi, after a Fatwa was issued against him.
Abbasov v Azerbaijan	Individual lawyers	Communicated	Prohibition of torture; Freedom of expression; Right to an effective remedy	1	Beating of a journalist reporting demolitions of private houses in Baku by SOCAR security guards.

GEORGIA

Asatiani & others v Georgia	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Friendly settlement	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Freedom of assembly	10	Violent dispersal by the policy of a sit-in protest by war veterans.
Dzamsashvili (deceased) v Georgia	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Submitted application to CEDAW	Right to life	2	Failure of the State to prevent, investigate and punish sustained domestic violence and femicide by the victim's ex-husband.
Georgian Young Lawyers' Association v Georgia	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Replied to Government's observations	Freedom of expression	1	Refusal to provide information on disciplinary charges against police officers involved in dispersal of peaceful protest.
Jugheli & others v Georgia	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Judgment	Respect for private life and home	3	Environmental pollution in a residential area.
Kerdikoshvili v Georgia	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Replied to Government's observations	Right to a fair trial; Protection of property	1	Non-exemption from the payment of court fees and inability to receive damages for the loss of unlawfully seized goods of applicant.
Peradze & others v Georgia	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Replied to Government's observations	Freedom of expression; Freedom of assembly	7	Restriction of peaceful protest against the Panorama Tbilisi construction project.
Studio Monitor & Zuriashvili v Georgia	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Replied to Government's observations	Freedom of expression	2	Refusal of access to criminal case materials, indispensable for a journalistic investigation.
Zurashvili v Georgia	Georgian Young Lawyers' Association	Unilateral Declaration	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment	1	Ill-treatment in detention after a peaceful demonstration in Tbilisi.
Kakaladze & others v Georgia	Human Rights Education and Monitoring Center	Submitted ECHR application	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Respect for private life; Freedom of religion; Right to an effective remedy; Prohibition of discrimination; Protection of property; Right to education	8	Failure to protect owners, parents and staff at a planned Muslim boarding school from hate crime.
Mikeladze & others v Georgia	Human Rights Education and Monitoring Center	Replied to Government's observations	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Respect for private life; Freedom of assembly; Right to an effective remedy; Prohibition of discrimination	4	Police hate crime against Muslim minority and ill-treatment of protesters at a rally following the decision to demolish an old mosque.
Mamasakhlishi & others v Georgia & Russia	Individual lawyer	Replied to Government's observations	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Right to liberty; Right to a fair trial; Respect for private life and family; Right to an effective remedy; Prohibition of discrimination; Protection of property	9	Complex cases from Abkhazia on inhuman and degrading treatment, discrimination and property rights from 1992 onwards.
Merabishvili v Georgia	Individual lawyer	Grand Chamber hearing; Judgment	Right to liberty; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights	1	Use of pre-trial detention to exert pressure on opposition politician to provide information on other opposition politicians.

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Tkheldize v Georgia	Union Sapari	Communicated	Right to life; Prohibition of discrimination	1	Failure of police to investigate reports of domestic violence, resulting in fatal shooting of university professor by her ex-husband.
A.D. v Georgia	Women's Initiatives Supporting Group	Submitted ECtHR application	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Respect for private life; Prohibition of discrimination	1	Refusal of the authorities to amend the gender marker of identity documents of a transgender person.
A.Kh. v Georgia	Women's Initiatives Supporting Group	Submitted ECtHR application	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Respect for private life; Prohibition of discrimination	1	Refusal of the authorities to amend the gender marker of identity documents of a transgender person.

RUSSIA

Andreyeva & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Right to a fair trial; Right to liberty; Freedom of assembly; Right not to be punished twice	10	Spontaneous public gathering at verdict of convicted Boloyaya Square protesters.
Barakhoyev v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Judgment	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Right to liberty	1	Unlawful arrest and detention of a man in North Ossetia-Alania by police, who beat him, planted a grenade in his pocket and shouted ethnically-motivated abuse at him.
Dubrovina & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Freedom of assembly	4	Administrative proceedings for alleged participation in unauthorised public event.
Ecodefence & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Communicated	Freedom of expression; Freedom of assembly; Prohibition of discrimination; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights	18	Restrictions on NGO activity by the 'Law on Foreign Agents'.
Gadzhieva & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Submitted ECtHR application	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Respect for home; Protection of property	5	Large-scale destruction of civilian property during a security operation in 2014.
Kibalo & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Judgment	Respect for private life	3	Imprisonment of a man 8000km away from his family home in Dagestan, and the inadequacy of Russian law on prison allocation, review and transfer.
Kuriyeva v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Communicated	Right to life; Respect for home; Right to an effective remedy	1	Unlawful killing by security forces conducting search in Nalchik.
M.M. v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Judgment	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Respect for private life; Right to an effective remedy	1	Detention conditions and unauthorised disclosure of HIV status. Partially resolved by unilateral declaration.
Mayzuls & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Right to a fair trial; Right to liberty; Freedom of assembly	10	Spontaneous public gathering in support of convicted Boloyaya Square activists.
Murtazin v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Right to a fair trial; Freedom of expression	1	Conviction of an opposition politician and blogger.
NCHR & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Right to a fair trial; Freedom of expression	3	Slogan "Freedom is not given, it is taken" was deemed extremist according to Russian anti-extremist legislation.
Orlov & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Judgment	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Right to liberty; Protection of property	4	Abduction and ill-treatment of a human rights activist and 3 journalists.
Ozdoyev & Tsechoyev v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Right to life; Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Right to liberty; Right to an effective remedy	2	Abductions by state agents in Ingushetia.

S.N. v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Prohibition of torture; Respect for private life	1	Repeated sexual assaults on a 15-year old girl in Dagestan by multiple perpetrators, and failure to properly prosecute.
Samburov v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Right to a fair trial; Freedom of assembly; Prohibition of discrimination	1	Kiss-in protest in front of the Duma during adoption of anti-LGBTI law.
Sozayev & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Replied to Government's observations	Right to liberty; Right to a fair trial; Freedom of assembly; Prohibition of discrimination	4	Kiss-in protest in front of the Duma during adoption of anti-LGBTI law.
Tagayeva & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Judgment	Right to life	300	Use of disproportionate force and failure to protect right to life during Beslan School Siege in 2004, and to investigate.
Yankovskiy v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre	Judgment	Prohibition of inhuman and degrading treatment; Right to liberty; Right to an effective remedy	1	Failure to provide adequate medical care to a diabetic prisoner for 20 months.
Zavaylova & Kotova v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre; Public Verdict Foundation	Replied to Government's observations	Right to a fair trial; Right to liberty; Freedom of assembly	14	Unauthorised spontaneous protest against Russian involvement in Ukraine.

UKRAINE

Mejlis of Crimean Tatar People & others v Russia	Memorial Human Rights Centre, Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union	Submitted ECtHR application	Right to a fair trial; No punishment without law; Respect for private life; Freedom of association; Prohibition of discrimination; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights	19	Mejlis (the Crimean Tatars' elected representative body) labelled as an 'extremist' organisation and banned.
Denisov v Ukraine	n/a	Grand Chamber hearing	Right to a fair trial; Respect for private life; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights	1	Unlawful dismissal of a judge from his post of President of the Kyiv Administrative Court of Appeal.
Kulykov & others v Ukraine	n/a	Judgment	Right to a fair trial; Respect for private life	11	Unlawful dismissal of judges from various courts in Ukraine.
Karpyuk v Russia	Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union	Submitted ECtHR application	Prohibition of torture; Right to liberty; Right to a fair trial; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights	1	Politically-motivated prosecution, conviction and sentencing of Ukrainian citizen in Russia.
Khlebig v Ukraine	Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union	Request for referral to Grand Chamber	Right to a fair trial; Right of appeal	1	Detention where the courts were unable to examine an appeal against conviction because the case-file was lost in an area outside Government control.
Klykh v Russia	Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union	Submitted ECtHR application	Prohibition of torture; Right to liberty; Right to a fair trial; Right to family life; Limitation on use of restrictions on rights	1	Politically-motivated prosecution, conviction and sentencing of Ukrainian citizen in Russia.
OIZ & VPZ v Ukraine and Russia	Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union	Replied to Government's observations	Prohibition of torture; Right to liberty; Right to an effective remedy	2	Detention and ill-treatment by insurgents in Luhansk.
YPR v Ukraine and Russia	Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union	Communicated	Prohibition of torture; Right to liberty; Right to an effective remedy	1	Abduction, torture and detention in Crimea before annexation.
			Total applicants:	502	