HUMAN RIGHTS CHAMBER FOR BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA



DOM ZA LJUDSKA PRAVA ZA BOSNU I HERCEGOVINU

DECISION TO STRIKE OUT

Case no. CH/98/1584

N.N.

against

THE REPUBLIKA SRPSKA

The Human Rights Chamber for Bosnia and Herzegovina, sitting as the Second Panel on 7 November 2001 with the following members present:

Mr. Giovanni GRASSO, President Mr. Viktor MASENKO-MAVI, Vice-President Mr. Jakob MÖLLER Mr. Mehmed DEKOVIĆ Mr. Manfred NOWAK Mr. Vitomir POPOVIĆ Mr. Mato TADIĆ

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) of the Agreement and Rule 52 of the Chamber's Rules of Procedure:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. The application was introduced on 26 November 1998.

2. The applicant complains that on 23 August 1993 she was unlawfully evicted from the apartment over which she was the co-holder of the occupancy right, and that her occupancy right was thereafter unlawfully terminated on 10 October 1996. The applicant initiated proceedings against this latter decision on 3 February 1997 in the Court of First Instance in Banja Luka, which, on 20 October 1999, issued a decision annulling the 1996 decision. The applicant was reinstated into her apartment on 1 March 2001.

II. OPINION OF THE CHAMBER

3. 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."

4. Considering that the applicant has been reinstated into her apartment, and that the decision terminating her occupancy right has been annulled, 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 finds it appropriate to strike out the application.

III. CONCLUSION

5. For these reasons, the Chamber, unanimously,

STRIKES OUT THE APPLICATION

(signed) Ulrich GARMS Registrar of the Chamber (signed) Giovanni GRASSO President of the Second Panel