

Interim Resolution CM/ResDH(2026)220 Execution of the judgments of the European Court of Human Rights Rana group of cases against Hungary

(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 16 September 2026
at the 1569th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)

Application	Case	Judgment of	Final on
40888/17	RANA	16/07/2020	16/07/2020
54006/20	R.K.	22/06/2023	06/11/2023
12918/19	E.G. AND OTHERS	21/11/2024	21/11/2024

The Committee of Ministers, under the terms of Article 46, paragraph 2, of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, which provides that the Committee supervises the execution of final judgments of the European Court of Human Rights (hereinafter "the Convention" and "the Court");

Recalling that this group of cases concerns the lack of a clear legal framework to enable transgender persons, both lawfully settled non-Hungarian and Hungarian nationals, to access quick, transparent and accessible procedures for changing their name and sex/gender marker in their official identification documents issued by the Hungarian authorities;

Reiterating its profound concern, as regards *Rana*, a lawfully settled non-Hungarian transgender person, that more than six years after the Court's judgment the applicant's individual situation remains unresolved;

Recalling, as regards the applicants in *R.K.* and *E.G. and Others*, transgender persons with Hungarian birth certificates, that the requisite further individual measures are closely linked to the general measures, as the possibility for the applicants to obtain legal gender recognition in conformity with the Convention depends on the adoption of legislative amendments;

Recalling with deepest regret, concerning transgender persons with Hungarian birth certificates, that while for many years recognition of gender reassignment was permitted on the basis of an informal practice, the May 2020 legislative amendments made it impossible to obtain legal gender recognition in Hungary; deeply deploring that, notwithstanding the Committee's calls, those amendments and the 2025 amendment to the Fundamental Law enshrining this legal ban also at the constitutional level, remain in force further complicating the execution of the present group and considerably aggravating the uncertainty faced by the persons concerned, with a risk of similar violations;

Strongly underlining again the pressing need for legislative changes to lift the current legal ban on changing one's sex/gender marker in the Hungarian birth register and to eliminate any constitutional obstacles to legal gender recognition, as well as to introduce a clear legal framework regulating the conditions and procedures for legal gender recognition in line with the Convention and the Court's case-law, and bearing in mind the principles set out in the Committee of Ministers' Recommendation CM/Rec(2010)5;

Expressing its utmost concern about the authorities' persistent failure to take any measures in response to the violations found in this group and the deterioration in access to procedures for legal gender recognition in Hungary;

STRONGLY URGED the authorities to confirm whether or not the applicant in the case of *Rana* remains in Hungary as a lawfully settled non-Hungarian person and, if so, to take the necessary measures to ensure the prompt registration of his name and gender change in the official identification documents issued by the Hungarian authorities;

STRONGLY URGED the authorities to adopt, without further delay, a clear legal framework to enable transgender persons, both lawfully settled non-Hungarian and Hungarian nationals, to access quick, transparent and accessible procedures for changing their name and sex/gender marker in their official identification documents issued by the Hungarian authorities;

INVITED the authorities to submit an updated action plan, including information on all the above issues and a timeline for the required legislative process, by 15 June 2027 at the latest; and

STRONGLY ENCOURAGED the authorities, in the meantime, to engage in high-level consultations with the Secretariat in 2026 on the measures required for the execution of this group of cases.