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Communication from the applicant (26/02/2020) in the cases of ILGAR MAMMADOV and ILGAR MAMMADOV (No. 2) v. Azerbaijan (Applications No. 15172/13, 919/15)

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Communication du requérant (26/02/2020) relative aux affaires ILGAR MAMMADOV et ILGAR MAMMADOV n° 2 c. Azerbaïdjan (requêtes n° 15172/13, 919/15) [anglais uniquement]

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Subject: Execution of the judgments in the cases of Ilgar MAMMADOV v. Azerbaijan (application no. 15172/13) and Ilgar MAMMADOV v. Azerbaijan (2) (application no. 919/15)

The applicant: Ilgar Mammadov

Sent: by e-mail on 25 February 2020

Communication under Rule 9.1  
of the Rules of the Committee of Ministers for the supervision of the execution of judgments and of the terms of friendly settlements

Dear Madam/Sir,

In addition to my submission of 2 January and 14 February 2020 insisting on initiation of suspension procedure against the government of Azerbaijan in line with Article 3 and Article 8 of the Statute of the Council of Europe, I have the following update supporting that insistence:

1. On 16 February 2020, at 12:49 – as soon as I left my apartment to join as one of the organizers a peaceful and constitutional public rally demanding, inter alia, execution of those ECHR judgments which have an effect on the election rights, – I was kidnapped by a group of three people, forcibly put in a car, and taken 160 km away from the capital city Baku. After a while, the kidnappers drove back and at 17:15 dropped me 35 km away from Baku, at an empty roadside and demanded “not to do that again.” Only after the incident I learned that I was kidnapped in a car with police number plates. At the same time (and I was not aware of that during those terrifying hours in detention), hundreds of other activists who joined the peaceful rally were forcibly put in buses by police and driven tens km away from Baku and then left at the roadside. I have prepared a complaint to a local court in connection with these events – stating violation of Articles 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 18 of the Convention.

2. Video account of the kidnapping incident is here at the Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFERL) site: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dz2QqSjgSGA

Baku / 17.02.20 / Turan: The organizers of the Sunday protest in front of the CEC building issued a resolution that put forward a number of basic requirements: to cancel the results of the February 9 early parliamentary elections; ensure fundamental freedoms, including freedom of expression and assembly; release political prisoners, as well as amend the Electoral Code in accordance with the proposals of the opposition, the Council of Europe, and the OSCE / ODIHR and implement the decisions of the ECHR on violations of the right to free elections. After the implementation of these measures, new elections for the Milli Majlis should be held.


Sincerely yours,

Ilgar Mammadov