

# Slovak Republic

## MAIN ISSUES BEFORE THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS - ONGOING SUPERVISION

### Actions of security forces

**Excessive use of force in a police operation** carried out on a street that is home to a Roma community, ineffective investigation into the allegations of excessive use of force, and lack of inquiry into the alleged discrimination in the planning of the operation. Authorities' failure to protect the physical well-being in police custody of an unaccompanied minor of Romani origin.

**R.R. and R.D.** (20649/18)  
 Judgment final on 01/12/2020

**P.H.** (37574/19)  
 Judgment final on 08/12/2022

Enhanced supervision  
**Status of execution**

#### ➤ Secret surveillance by the Intelligence Service

Lack of adequate legal safeguards against abuse in secret surveillance carried out by the Slovak Intelligence Service, due to the practically unfettered power exercised by this service. Lack of legal protection for persons randomly affected by covert surveillance measures.

**Zoltán Varga** (58361/12)  
 Judgment final on 22/11/2021

Enhanced supervision  
**Status of execution**

#### ➤ High security regime in prison

Placement in high security unit in prison with only limited safeguards against abuse; broad discretion of the prison authorities under the applicable rules in deciding to impose and prolong the high security regime.

**Maslák (No. 2)** (38321/17)  
 Judgment final on 30/06/2022

Enhanced supervision  
**Status of execution**

### Length of judicial proceedings

**Excessive length of civil proceedings**, and lack of effective remedies in this respect.

**Maxian and Maxianova group** (44482/09)  
 Judgment final on 24/07/2012

Standard supervision  
**Status of execution**

**Civil claims joined to criminal proceedings not protected by the right to trial within a reasonable time** until charges have been brought against a specific person (even if the lodging of such claims prevents the lodging of separate civil proceedings). **Length of criminal proceedings.**

**Javor and Javorová** (42360/20)  
 Judgment final on 01/02/2016

Standard supervision  
**Status of execution**

**Excessive length of proceedings on the land restitution claims** and ineffective remedies in this respect.

**Balogh and Others** (35142/15)  
 Judgment final on 04/02/2019

Standard supervision  
**Status of execution**

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### Access to court

**Refusal of the domestic courts to exempt a company from a court fee** for the claim for damages it sought against a lawyer, without proper balance between the public interest in collecting court fees and the interest of the company in pursuing its claim.

**KOM, SPOLOCNOST S RUCENIM  
 OBMEDZENY** (56293/15)

Judgment final on 02/09/2021

Standard supervision  
**Status of execution**

### Fairness of criminal proceedings

**Convictions based to a decisive degree on accomplices' statements without appropriate safeguards.** Lack of legal framework and judicial oversight for arrangements between collaborating perpetrators and the prosecuting authorities when the former obtained benefits in return for incriminating statements against another person.

**Adamco** (45084/14)

Judgment final on 12/02/2020

**Erik Adamco** (19990/20)

Judgment final on 01/09/2023

Standard supervision  
**Status of execution**

**Domestic courts' refusal, without sufficient reasons, of the applicants' requests to examine witnesses;** trial based essentially on evidence adduced by the prosecution without examination of any of the evidence adduced by the applicants.

**Vasarab and Paulus** (28081/19)

Judgment final on 15/03/2023

Standard supervision  
**Status of execution**

**Objectively justified doubts as to the court's impartiality** in a trial against the applicant, because of its earlier judgments endorsing accomplices' plea-bargain agreements, which, in view of their wording, had been prejudicial to the applicant's right to be presumed innocent, and given also the role these earlier judgments played in the applicant's own trial, which took place before the same judges.

**Mucha** (63703/19)

Judgment final on 04/04/2022

Standard supervision  
**Status of execution**

### Right to private life

**Lack of reasoning in the court's warrant authorising telephone-tapping** during criminal proceeding, not in accordance with the law, and lack of domestic remedies in this respect.

**Potoczka and Adamco** (7286/16)

Judgment final on 12/04/2023

Standard supervision  
**Status of execution**