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EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

OVERVIEW FROM 16/09 TO 30/09/2017

CZ / REGNER v. CZECH REPUBLIC [GC]

Confidential information – Non-disclosure of classified documents – Justification

No violation of Article 6 § 1 (Right to a fair trial) of the Convention.

An administrative decision made by a Czech authority had withdrawn the security clearance which was a prerequisite for the applicant, a senior civil servant, to hold a senior post in the Ministry of Defence. He complained that he had been unable to have sight of decisive evidence, regarded as classified information, during the proceedings he had brought to challenge the decision withdrawing his security clearance.

Judgement of 19.09.2017 (application no. 35289/11)
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DE / AXEL SPRINGER SE AND RTL TELEVISION GMBH v. GERMANY

Laws on audiovisual media and other forms of mass communication – Ban on publication of identifiable images of criminal defendants in murder trials – Personal rights of the accused

No violation of Article 10 (Freedom of expression) of the Convention.

The applicants, two media companies, complained about a judicial order banning the publication of images in which the defendant in a criminal trial for murder could be identified. They filed an objection requesting the suspension of the order, pointing out that the accused had confessed to the crime on the first day of the proceedings.

Judgement of 21.09.2017 (application no. 51405/12)
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Press release ([FR](#) / [EN](#))

AT / SEVERE v. AUSTRIA

International child abduction – Insufficient measures taken to return the children

Violation of Article 8 (Right to respect for private and family life) of the Convention.

The applicant, a French national who lives in France and the father of two sons abducted by their mother from France to Austria, complained that the Austrian authorities had not taken all the necessary measures to ensure his sons' swift return to France. He argued that they had not made sufficient attempts to locate the children and their mother and had not tried any other coercive measures.

Judgement of 21.09.2017 (application no. 53661/15)
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