

The CoE Committee of Ministers called Russia to uphold the ECHR decision in the schools case

The Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe met on 25 September 2014 to discuss the European Court decisions that have not been enforced by respondent Governments.

At the reunion, the Committee of Ministers expressed their deep concern with the fact that Russian authorities failed to present by 1 September 2014 any information on the enforcement of the ECtHR decision concerning Latin-script schools.

Recall that, in June, the Committee of Ministers urged the Russian Government to take all necessary measures to stop the violation of the applicants' right to education, to inform the Committee of the way they plan to guarantee the fact that Latin-script schools will continue to function in the academic year 2014/2015, and to present, by 1 September 2014, a concrete plan of action or report on the enforcement of the Court's decision.

Accordingly, the latest decision of the September Reunion delegation ruled to give Russia a new deadline, by **1 November 2014**, to present all information about its actions to uphold the ECtHR decision.

The European Court for Human Rights issued a [decision in the case of Catan](#) and others on 19 October 2012, stating that the Russian Federation violated Article 2 Protocol 1 – the right to education. Applicants in the case are teachers, pupils and their parents from Tighina (Bender), Grigoriopol and Ribnita. Almost two years after the ECtHR pronounced its decision, The Russian Federation refuses to enforce it.

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