



EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS
COUR EUROPÉENNE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME

FOURTH SECTION

DECISION

Application no. 10845/26
Andrea BIER and Others
against Austria
(see appended table)

The European Court of Human Rights (Fourth Section), sitting on 17 September 2026 as a Committee composed of:

Anne Louise Bormann, *President*,

András Jakab,

Corinna Wissels, *judges*,

and Viktoriya Maradudina, *Acting Deputy Section Registrar*,

Having regard to the above application against the Republic of Austria lodged with the Court under Article 34 of the Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (“the Convention”) on 9 March 2026,

Having regard to the formal declarations accepting a friendly settlement of the case,

Having deliberated, decides as follows:

FACTS AND PROCEDURE

The list of applicants is set out in the appended table.

The applicants were represented by Ms Heger, a lawyer practising in Wien.

The applicants’ complaints under Article 6 § 1 of the Convention concerning the excessive length of civil proceedings were communicated to the Austrian Government (“the Government”).

The Court received the friendly-settlement declarations, signed by the parties, under which the applicants agreed to waive any further claims against Austria in respect of the facts giving rise to this application, subject to an undertaking by the Government to pay them the amount detailed in the appended table. That amount will be payable within three months from the date of notification of the Court’s decision. In the event of failure to pay these sums within the above-mentioned three-month period, the Government

undertake to pay simple interest on them, from the expiry of that period until settlement, at a rate equal to the marginal lending rate of the European Central Bank during the default period plus three percentage points.

The payment will constitute the final resolution of the case.

THE LAW

The Court takes note of the friendly settlement reached between the parties. It is satisfied that the settlement is based on respect for human rights as defined in the Convention and the Protocols thereto and finds no reasons to justify a continued examination of the application.

In view of the above, it is appropriate to strike the case out of the list.

For these reasons, the Court, unanimously,

Decides to strike the application out of its list of cases in accordance with Article 39 of the Convention.

Done in English and notified in writing on 8 October 2026.

Viktoriya Maradudina
Acting Deputy Registrar

Anne Louise Bormann
President

APPENDIX

Application raising complaints under Article 6 § 1 of the Convention (excessive length of civil proceedings)

Application no. Date of introduction	Applicant's name Year of birth/ registration	Representative's name and location	Date of receipt of Government's declaration	Date of receipt of Applicants' declaration	Amount awarded for pecuniary and non-pecuniary damage and costs and expenses per applicant/household (in euros) ¹
10845/26 09/03/2026 (5 applicants)	Household Andrea BIER 1978 Karsten BIER 1970 TRADE TRANS INVEST, A.S. 2004 SPEDITION TRADE TRANS HOLDING, A.S. 2004 Birgit KAAS 1978	Heger Susanne Wien	19/08/2026	01/06/2026	18,000

¹ Plus any tax that may be chargeable to the applicants.