

The European Court of Human Rights suspends time limits for a month

In a communication dated 16 March 2020, the Registry of the European Court of Human Rights announced that it was taking extraordinary measures to respond to the unprecedented global health crisis. It does so in accordance with the decisions of the French authorities and the Council of Europe.

The Registry announced that the work on priority cases will continue, and that distance working is being introduced. Outside persons will not be allowed to enter the Court's premises for some time, and all hearings scheduled for March and April 2020 have been canceled.

One decision vital for applicants is the suspension of the 6-month time limit for filing new complaints with the European Court of Human Rights. This clause shall be provisionally suspended for a period of one month starting from 16 March 2020. All time limits which have been provided for in the proceedings and are currently running shall also be suspended for one month starting from 16 March 2020.

The Court will continue to function and, depending on the situation, take new actions and decisions. We at Dobrev & Lyutskanov Law Firm will monitor the situation and inform you in a timely manner.