



Grand Chamber Panel's decisions

At its last meeting (Monday 9 December 2019), the Grand Chamber panel of five judges decided to reject requests to refer three cases¹.

Requests for referral rejected

Judgments in the following three cases are now final².

Requests for referral submitted by the applicants

Rustavi 2 Broadcasting Company Ltd and Others v. Georgia (application no. 16812/17), [judgment](#) of 18 July 2019

Ürek and Ürek v. Turkey (no. 74845/12), [judgment](#) of 30 July 2019

Request for referral submitted by the applicant and by the Government

Korban v. Ukraine (no. 26744/16), [judgment](#) of 4 July 2019

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The European Court of Human Rights was set up in Strasbourg by the Council of Europe Member States in 1959 to deal with alleged violations of the 1950 European Convention on Human Rights.

¹ Under Article 43 of the European Convention on Human Rights, within three months from the date of a Chamber judgment, any party to the case may, in exceptional cases, request that the case be referred to the 17-member Grand Chamber of the Court. In that event, a panel of five judges considers whether the case raises a serious question affecting the interpretation or application of the Convention or its protocols, or a serious issue of general importance, in which case the Grand Chamber will deliver a final judgment. If no such question or issue arises, the panel will reject the request, at which point the judgment becomes final. Otherwise Chamber judgments become final on the expiry of the three-month period or earlier if the parties declare that they do not intend to make a request to refer.

² Under Article 44 § 2 (c) of the European Convention on Human Rights, the judgment of a Chamber becomes final when the panel of the Grand Chamber rejects the request to refer under Article 43.