

GENERAL COURT

Judgment of the General Court of 10 May 2016 — Izsák and Dabis v Commission

(Case T-529/13) ⁽¹⁾

(Law governing the institutions — European citizens' initiative — Cohesion policy — National minority regions — Refusal of registration — Manifest lack of powers of the Commission — Article 4(2)(b) and 4(3) of Regulation (EU) No 211/2011)

(2016/C 222/12)

Language of the case: Hungarian

Parties

Applicants: Balázs-Árpád Izsák (Târgu Mureș, Romania) and Attila Dabis (Budapest, Hungary) (represented initially by J. Tordáné dr. Petneházy and subsequently by D. Sobor, lawyers)

Defendant: European Commission (represented initially by H. Krämer, K. Talabér-Ritz, A. Steiblytė and P. Hetsch, and subsequently by K. Talabér-Ritz, K. Banks, H. Krämer and B.-R. Killman, acting as Agents)

Intervener in support of the applicants: Hungary (represented by: M. Fehér, G. Szima and G. Koós, acting as Agents)

Intervener in support of the defendant: Hellenic Republic (represented by: E.-M. Mamouna, acting as Agent), Romania (represented by: R. Radu, R. Hațieganu, D. Bulancea and M. Bejenar, acting as Agents) and Slovak Republic (represented by: B. Ricziová, acting as Agent)

Re:

Application for annulment of Commission Decision C(2013) 4975 final of 25 July 2013 rejecting the application for registration of the proposed European citizens' initiative.

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

1. Dismisses the action;
2. Orders Mr Balázs-Árpád Izsák and Mr Attila Dabis to bear their own costs and to pay those incurred by the European Commission;
3. Orders Hungary, the Hellenic Republic, Romania and the Slovak Republic to bear their own costs.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 24, 25.1.2014.

Judgment of the General Court of 10 May 2016 — Mikhalchanka v Council

(Case T-693/13) ⁽¹⁾

(Common foreign and security policy — Restrictive measures taken against Belarus — Freezing of funds and economic resources — Restrictions on entry into, and transit through, the territory of the European Union — Retention of the applicant's name on the list of persons concerned — Journalist — Rights of defence — Obligation to state reasons — Error of assessment)

(2016/C 222/13)

Language of the case: French

Parties

Applicant: Aliaksei Mikhalchanka (Minsk, Belarus) (represented by: M. Michalauskas, lawyer)