Judgment of the General Court of 22 September 2021 — Al-Imam v Council

(Case T-203/20) (1)

(Common foreign and security policy — Restrictive measures taken against Syria — Freezing of funds — Right of the defence — Right to effective judicial protection — Error of assessment — Proportionality — Right to property — Damage to reputation)

(2021/C 462/48)

Language of the case: French

Parties

Applicant: Maher Al-Imam (Damascus, Syria) (represented by: M. Brillat, lawyer)

Defendant: Council of the European Union (represented by: V. Piessevaux and M.-C. Cadilhac, acting as Agents)

Re:

First, application under Article 263 TFEU seeking annulment of Council Decision 2013/255/CFSP of 31 May 2013 concerning restrictive measures against Syria (OJ 2013 L 147, p. 14), Council Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 of 18 January 2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria and repealing Regulation (EU) No 442/2011 (OJ 2012 L 16, p. 1), Council Implementing Decision (CFSP) 2020/212 of 17 February 2020 implementing Decision 2013/255/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Syria (OJ 2020 L 43 I, p. 6), Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/211 of 17 February 2020 implementing Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria (OJ 2020 L 43 I, p. 1), Council Decision (CFSP) 2020/719 of 28 May 2020 amending Decision 2013/255/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Syria (OJ 2020 L 168, p. 66), and Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/716 of 28 May 2020 implementing Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria (OJ 2020 L 168, p. 1), in so far as those acts are directed against the applicant and, second, application under Article 268 TFEU seeking compensation for the damage allegedly suffered by the applicant as a result of those acts.

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. Dismisses the action:
- 2. Orders Mr. Maher Al-Imam to pay the costs.
- (1) OJ C 201, 15.6.2020.

Judgment of the General Court of 22 September 2021 — Moviescreens Rental v EUIPO — the airscreen company (AIRSCREEN)

(Case T-250/20) (1)

(EU trade mark — Invalidity proceedings — EU figurative mark airscreen — Absolute grounds for refusal — No descriptive character — Article 7(1)(c) of Regulation (EC) No 40/94 (now Article 7(1)(c) of Regulation (EU) 2017/1001) — Distinctive character — Article 7(1)(b) of Regulation No 40/94 (now Article 7(1)(b) of Regulation 2017/1001))

(2021/C 462/49)

Language of the case: German

Parties

Applicant: Moviescreens Rental GmbH (Damme, Germany) (represented by: D. Schulz and P. Stelzig, lawyers)

Defendant: European Union Intellectual Property Office (represented by: R. Manea and A. Söder, acting as Agents)