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Editorial

Welcome to the second edition of NEMIS in 2015.

In this issue we would like to draw your attention to the following.

Family Life

There haven't been important judgments this spring. However, due to an error, we forgot to record the Jeunesse case of the ECtHR on article 8 ECHR in the previous issue of NEMIS. Thus, although the judgment has been given in October 2014, it is marked as 'new'.

The Jeunesse case concerned the refusal by the authorities to allow a Surinamese woman married to a Netherlands national, with whom she had three children, to reside in the Netherlands on the basis of her family life in the country. The ECtHR took into consideration: (1) that apart from Ms Jeunesse, all members of her family were Dutch nationals entitled to enjoy family life with each other in the Netherlands; (2) that Ms Jeunesse had been living in the Netherlands for more than 16 years (and the Netherlands authorities had been aware of this); (3) that she had no criminal record; and (4) that settling in Suriname would entail a degree of hardship for the family. The ECtHR further considered that the Netherlands authorities had not paid enough attention to the impact on Ms Jeunesse's children of the authorities' decision to refuse her request for a residence permit. The authorities had failed to take account of and assess evidence on the practicality, feasibility and proportionality of the refusal at issue in order to give effective protection and sufficient weight to the best interests of the children. The Court concluded that a fair balance had not been struck between the personal interests of Ms Jeunesse and her family in maintaining their family life in the Netherlands and the public order interests of the Government in controlling immigration.

Also a couple of older and still important cases were added in the context of Family life of art. 8 ECHR, such as: Butt, (2012), Antwi (2012), Neulinger (2010), Maslov (2007), Üner (2006) and - of course - Boultif (2001).

Students

The Council and the EP seemed to have an agreement on the recast of the Researchers and Students Directive. However, this agreement is nog longer there and the EP and the Council have restarted negotiations. This is strange since, the recast only aimed at joining two separate directives into one.

Language requirements

With the P&S judgment (CJEU C-579/13) another step has been made on the road to a full answer whether integration requirements jeopardise Union law. The CJEU ruled that TCN who already have a LTR status may be required to pass a civic integration test (under pain of a fine), provided that the means of implementing that obligation are not liable to jeopardise the achievement of the objectives pursued by the directive.

Return Directive

With the Zh. & O. judgment (CJEU C-554/13) the CJEU ruled against practices in Member States (such as the Netherlands) whereby a third-country national, who is staying illegally within the territory of a MS, is deemed to pose a risk to public policy within the meaning of that provision on the sole ground that that national is suspected, or has been criminally convicted, of an act punishable as a criminal offence under national law. This is important in the context of the period for voluntary departure that may be granted.

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About

NEMIS is a newsletter designed for judges who need to keep up to date with EU developments in migration and borders law. This newsletter contains all European legislation and jurisprudence on access and residence rights of third country nationals, as well as relevant national judgments on the interpretation of this legislation. NEMIS does not include jurisprudence on free movement or asylum. We would like to refer to a separate Newsletter on that issue, the Newsletter on European Asylum Issues (NEAIS).

1	Regular Migration			
1.1	Regular Migration: Adopted Measures		case l	aw sorted in chronological orde
	Directive 2009/50	Blue Ca	rd	-
	On conditions of entry and residence of TCNs for the	purposes o	of highly q	qualified employment
	* OJ 2009 L 155/17	impl. da	te 19-06-	2011
	Directive 2003/86	Family	Reunifica	ation
	On the right to Family Reunification	J		
	* OJ 2003 L 251/12	impl. da	te 03-10-	2005
	* COM(2014) 210, 3 Apr. 2014: Guidelines on the a	-		
	CJEU judgments			
	☞ CJEU C-338/13 Noorzia	17 July	2014	Art. 4(5)
	☞ CJEU C-138/13 Dogan (Naime)	10 July	2014	Art. 7(2)
	CJEU C-87/12 Ymeraga	8 May	2013	Art. 3(3)
	☞ CJEU C-356/11 0. & S.	6 Dec.	2012	Art. 7(1)(c)
	☞ CJEU C-155/11 <i>Imran</i>	10 June		Art. 7(2) - no adj.
	CJEU C-578/08 Chakroun	4 Mar.	2010	Art. $7(1)(c) + 2(d)$
	♥ CJEU C-540/03 EP v. Council	27 June	2006	Art. 8
	CJEU pending cases ✓ CJEU C-153/14 K. & A.	nandina		A art 7(2)
	• CJEU C-133/14 A. & A. • CJEU C-527/14 Oruche	pending pending		Art. 7(2) Art. 7(2)
	☞ CJEU C-558/14 <i>Kachab</i>	pending		Art. 7(1)(c)
	EFTA judgments	penamg		7110. 7(1)(0)
	☞ EFTA E-4/11	26 July	2011	Art. 7(1)
	National Judgments	,		()
	Irl: Casha Digale [2013] IEHC 25	22 Jan.	2013	Art. 4+10
	Ger: BVerwG 10 C 4.12	29 Dec.	2012	Art. 17
	NL: Rb Den Haag zp Den Bosch AWB 12/9408	23 Nov.		Art. 7(2)
	Ger: VerwG Berlin VG 29 K 138.12V	25 Oct.		Art. 7(2)
	► NL: Raad van State 201008782/1/V1	9 Oct.	2012	
	• Ger: BVerwG 10 C 12.12	4 Sep.	2012	Art. 8
	Ger: BVerwG 1 C 9.10Ger: BVerwG 1 C 8.09	28 Oct. 30 Mar.		A = + 7(2)
	See further: § 1.3	30 Mai.	2010	Art. 7(2)
	Council Decision 2007/435	Intograt	tion Func	1
	Establishing European Fund for the Integration of TC	_		
	General programme Solidarity and Management of M	-	-	707 to 2013 as part of the
	* OJ 2007 L 168/18	181 411011 1	10115	UK, IRL opt in
	Directive 2014/66	Intra_C	ornorate	Transferees
	On conditions of entry and residence of TCNs in the fi		-	
	* OJ 2014 L 157/1		te 29-11-	- "
	Directive 2003/109	-	erm Resi	
	Concerning the status of TCNs who are long-term rest	_		
	* OJ 2004 L 16/44		te 23-01-	2006
	* amended by Dir. 2011/51	r · · · · ·		
	CJEU judgments			
	New ♥ CJEU C-579/13 P. & S.	4 June	2015	Art. 5 + 11
	☞ CJEU C-311/13 Tümer	5 Nov.	2014	
	☞ CJEU C-469/13 <i>Tahir</i>	17 July	2014	Art. $7(1) + 13$
	☞ CJEU C-257/13 <i>Mlalali</i>	14 Nov.	2013	Art. 11(1)(d) - inadm.
	☞ CJEU C-40/11 <i>Iida</i>	8 Nov.	2012	Art. 7(1)
	☞ CJEU C-502/10 Singh	18 Oct.	2012	Art. 3(2)(e)
	CJEU C-508/10 Comm. v. Netherlands	26 Apr.		A / 11/1\/1\
	CIEU c-571/10 Servet Kamberaj	24 Apr.	2012	Art. 11(1)(d)
	CJEU pending cases ☞ CJEU C-176/14 Van Hauthem	pending		Art. 14
	- CJEO C-1/0/14 van Haumem	pending		AII. 14

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☞ CJEU C-309/14 *CGIL*

pending

National Judgments

☞ NL: Raad van State 201401261/1/V1

17 June 2014

See further: § 1.3

Directive 2011/51

Long-Term Resident ext.

Long-Term Resident status for refugees and persons with subsidiary protection

* OJ 2011 L 132/1 (April 2011)

impl. date 20-05-2013

* extending Dir. 2003/109 on LTR

Council Decision 2006/688

Mutual Information

On the establishment of a mutual information mechanism in the areas of asylum and immigration

* OJ 2006 L 283/40

UK, IRL opt in

Directive 2005/71

On a specific procedure for admitting TCNs for the purposes of scientific research

* OJ 2005 L 289/15

impl. date 12-10-2007

CJEU judgments

☞ CJEU C-523/08 Comm. v. Spain

11 Feb. 2010

Researchers

See further: § 1.3

Recommendation 762/2005

Researchers

To facilitate the admission of TCNs to carry out scientific research

* OJ 2005 L 289/26

Regulation 1030/2002

Residence Permit Format

Laying down a uniform format for residence permits for TCNs

* OJ 2002 L 157/1

UK opt in

amd by Reg. 330/2008 (OJ 2008 L 115/1)

Directive 2014/36

Seasonal Workers

On the conditions of entry and residence of TCNs for the purposes of seasonal employment

* OJ 2014 L 94/375

impl. date 30-09-2016

Directive 2011/98

Single Permit

Single Application Procedure: for a single permit for TCNs to reside and work in the territory of a MS and on a common set of rights for third-country workers legally residing in a MS

* OJ 2011 L 343/1 (Dec. 2011)

impl. date 25-12-2013

Regulation 859/2003

Social Security TCN

Third-Country Nationals' Social Security extending Reg. 1408/71 and Reg. 574/72

* OJ 2003 L 124/1

UK, IRL opt in

* Replaced by Reg 1231/2010: Social Security TCN II

CJEU judgments

☞ CJEU C-247/09 Xhymshiti

18 Nov. 2010

CJEU pending cases

CJEU C-465/14 Wieland & Rothwangl

pending Art. 1

See further: § 1.3

Regulation 1231/2010

Social Security TCN II

Social Security for EU Citizens and TCNs who move within the EU

* OJ 2010 L 344/1

impl. date 1-01-2011

IRL opt in; UK opt out

* Replacing Reg. 859/2003 on Social Security TCN

Directive 2004/114

Students

Admission of Third-Country Nationals for the purposes of studies, pupil exchange, unremunerated training or voluntary service

* OJ 2004 L 375/12

impl. date 12-01-2007

CJEU judgments

CJEU C-491/13 Ben Alaya 10 Sep. 2014 Art. 6 + 7CJEU C-15/11 Sommer 21 June 2012 Art. 17(3)

CJEU C-568/10 Comm. v. Austria

22 Nov. 2011 Art. 17(1) - deleted 24 Nov. 2008

☞ CJEU C-294/06 *Payir*

See further: § 1.3

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ECHR

Family - Marriage - Discriminiation

European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and its Protocols

Art. 8 Family Life

Art. 12 Right to Marry

Art. 14 Prohibition of Discrimination

* ETS 005 (4-11-50) impl. date 31-08-1954 *ECtHR Judgments*

ECtHR Judgments			
New ECtHR Ap.no. 12738/10 Jeunesse	3 Oct.	2014	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 32504/11 Kaplan a.o.	24 July	2014	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 52701/09 Mugenzi	10 July	2014	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 38590/10 Biao	25 Mar.	2014	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 52166/09 Hasanbasic	11 June	2013	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 12020/09 Udeh	16 Apr.	2013	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 22689/07 De Souza Ribeiro	13 Dec.	2012	Art. $8 + 13$
ECtHR Ap.no. 47017/09 Butt	4 Dec.	2012	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 22341/09 Hode and Abdi	6 Nov.	2012	Art. $8 + 14$
ECtHR Ap.no. 26940/10 Antwi	14 Feb.	2012	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 22251/07 G.R.	10 Jan.	2012	Art. $8 + 13$
ECtHR Ap.no. 8000/08 A.A.	20 Sep.	2011	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 55597/09 Nunez	28 June	2011	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 38058/09 Osman	14 June	2011	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 34848/07 O'Donoghue	14 Dec.	2010	Art. $12 + 14$
ECtHR Ap.no. 41615/07 Neulinger	6 July	2010	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 1638/03 Maslov	22 Mar.	2007	Art. 8
 ECtHR Ap.no. 46410/99 Üner 	18 Oct.	2006	Art. 8
ECtHR Ap.no. 54273/00 Boultif	2 Aug.	2001	Art. 8
National Judgments			
UK: Quila SC [2011]UKSC45	12 Oct.	2011	Art. 8
UK: MH Morocco [2010] UKUT 439 IAC	28 Sep.	2010	Art. 8
See further: § 1.3			

1.2 Regular Migration: Proposed Measures

Directive

Researchers and Students (recast)

On the conditions of entry and residence of Third-Country Nationals for the purposes of research, studies, pupil exchange, remunerated and unremunerated training, voluntary service and au pairing.

- * COM (2013) 151, 25 March 2013
- * This directive will replace both Dir 2005/71 on Researchers and Dir 2004/114 on Students Council and EP -still- negotiating, May 2015

1.3 Regular Migration: Jurisprudence

case law sorted in alphabetical order

1.3.1 CJEU Judgments on Regular Migration

- CJEU C-491/13 *Ben Alaya* [10 Sep. 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2004/114 **Students** [Art. 6 + 7]
- * The MS concerned is obliged to admit to its territory a third-country national who wishes to stay for more than three months in that territory for study purposes, where that national meets the conditions for admission exhaustively listed in Art. 6 and 7 and provided that that MS does not invoke against that person one of the grounds expressly listed by the directive as justification for refusing a residence permit.
- **CJEU C-578/08** *Chakroun* [4 Mar. 2010]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 7(1)(c) + 2(d)]
- * The concept of family reunification allows no distinction based on the time of marriage. Furthermore, Member States may not require an income as a condition for family reunification, which is higher than the national minimum wage level. Admission conditions allowed by the directive, serve as indicators, but should not be applied rigidly, i.e. all individual circumstances should be taken into account.

CJEU C-568/10 *Comm. v. Austria* [22 Nov. 2011] (deleted)

- * incor. appl. of Dir. 2004/114 **Students** [Art. 17(1) deleted]
- * Austrian law systematically denies TCN students access to the labour market. They are issued a work permit for a vacant position only if a check has been previously carried out as to whether the position cannot be filled by a person registered as unemployed.
- **CJEU C-508/10** *Comm. v. Netherlands* [26 Apr. 2012]
- * incor. appl. of Dir. 2003/109 Long-Term Resident
- * The Court rules that the Netherlands has failed to fulfil its obligations by applying excessive and disproportionate administrative fees which are liable to create an obstacle to the exercise of the rights conferred by the Long-Term Residents Directive: (1) to TCNs seeking long-term resident status in the Netherlands, (2) to those who, having acquired that status in a MS other than the Kingdom of the Netherlands, are seeking to exercise the right to reside in that MS, and (3) to members of their families seeking authorisation to accompany or join them.
- **CJEU C-523/08** *Comm. v. Spain* [11 Feb. 2010]
- * non-transp. of Dir. 2005/71 Researchers
- CJEU C-138/13 Dogan (Naime) [10 July 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 7(2)]
- * The language requirement abroad is not in compliance with the standstill clauses of the Association Agreement. Although the question was also raised whether this requirement is in compliance with the Family Reunification Directive, the Court did not answer that question.
 - However, paragraph 38 of the judgment could also have implications for its forthcoming answer on the compatibility of the language test with the Family Reunification: "on the assumption that the grounds set out by the German Government, namely the prevention of forced marriages and the promotion of integration, can constitute overriding reasons in the public interest, it remains the case that a national provision such as that at issue in the main proceedings goes beyond what is necessary in order to attain the objective pursued, in so far as the absence of evidence of sufficient linguistic knowledge automatically leads to the dismissal of the application for family reunification, without account being taken of the specific circumstances of each case".
 - In this context it is relevant that the European Commission has stressed in its Communication on guidance for the application of Dir 2003/86, "that the objective of such measures is to facilitate the integration of family members. Their admissibility depends on whether they serve this purpose and whether they respect the principle of proportionality" (COM (2014)210, § 4.5).
- **CJEU C-540/03 EP v. Council** [27 June 2006]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 8]
- * The derogation clauses (3 years waiting period and the age-limits for children) are not annulled, as they do not constitute a violation of article 8 ECHR. However, while applying these clauses and the directive as a whole, Member States are bound by the fundamental rights (including the rights of the child), the purpose of the directive and obligation to take all individual interests into account.
- **CJEU C-40/11** *Iida* [8 Nov. 2012]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 Long-Term Resident [Art. 7(1)]
- * In order to acquire long-term resident status, the third-country national concerned must lodge an application with the competent authorities of the Member State in which he resides. If this application is voluntarily withdrawn, a residence permit can not be granted.
- **CJEU C-155/11** *Imran* [10 June 2011] (no adj.)
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 7(2) no adj.]
- * The Commission took the position that Art. 7(2) does not allow MSs to deny a family member as meant in Art. 4(1)(a) of a lawfully residing TCN entry and admission on the sole ground of not having passed a civic integration examination abroad. However, as a residence permit was granted just before the hearing would take place, the Court decided it was not necessary to give a ruling.
- **CJEU C-257/13** *Mlalali* [14 Nov. 2013] (inadm.)
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 Long-Term Resident [Art. 11(1)(d) inadm.]
- * Case (on equal treatment) was inadmissable
- CJEU C-338/13 Noorzia [17 July 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 4(5)]
- * Art. 4(5) does not preclude a rule of national law requiring that spouses and registered partners must have reached the age of 21 by the date when the application seeking to be considered family members entitled to reunification is lodged.

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- **CJEU C-356/11 O. & S.** [6 Dec. 2012]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 7(1)(c)]
- * When examining an application for family reunification, a MS has to do so in the interests of the children concerned and also with a view to promoting family life, and avoiding any undermining of the objective and the effectiveness of the directive.
- **CJEU C-579/13 P. & S.** [4 June 2015]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 **Long-Term Resident** [Art. 5 + 11]
- * Article 5(2) and Article 11(1) do not preclude national legislation, such as that at issue in the main proceedings, which imposes on TCNs who already possess long-term resident status the obligation to pass a civic integration examination, under pain of a fine, provided that the means of implementing that obligation are not liable to jeopardise the achievement of the objectives pursued by that directive, which it is for the referring court to determine. Whether the long-term resident status was acquired before or after the obligation to pass a civic integration examination was imposed is irrelevant in that respect.
- **©** CJEU C-294/06 **Payir** [24 Nov. 2008]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2004/114 Students
- * On a working Turkish student.
- **C**JEU C-571/10 **Servet Kamberaj** [24 Apr. 2012]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 Long-Term Resident [Art. 11(1)(d)]
- * EU Law precludes a distinction on the basis of ethnicity or linguistic groups in order to be eligible for housing benefit.
- CJEU C-502/10 Singh [18 Oct. 2012]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 Long-Term Resident [Art. 3(2)(e)]
- * The concept of 'residence permit which has been formally limited' as referred to in Art. 3(2)(e), does not include a fixed-period residence permit, granted to a specific group of persons, if the validity of their permit can be extended indefinitely without offering the prospect of permanent residence rights. The referring national court has to ascertain if a formal limitation does not prevent the long-term residence of the third-country national in the Member State concerned. If that is the case, this national cannot be excluded from the personal scope of Directive 2003/109.
- **CJEU C-15/11 Sommer** [21 June 2012]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2004/114 **Students** [Art. 17(3)]
- * The conditions of access to the labour market by Bulgarian students, may not be more restrictive than those set out in the Directive
- CJEU C-469/13 Tahir [17 July 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 **Long-Term Resident** [Art. 7(1) + 13]
- * Family members of a person who has already acquired LTR status may not be exempted from the condition laid down in Article 4(1), under which, in order to obtain that status, a TCN must have resided legally and continuously in the MS concerned for five years immediately prior to the submission of the relevant application. Art. 13 of the LTR Directive does not allow a MS to issue family members, as defined in Article 2(e) of that directive, with LTR' EU residence permits on terms more favourable than those laid down by that directive.
- **CJEU C-311/13 Tümer** [5 Nov. 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 Long-Term Resident
- * While the LTR provided for equal treatment of long-term resident TCNs, this 'in no way precludes other EU acts, such as' the insolvent employers Directive, "from conferring, subject to different conditions, rights on TCNs with a view to achieving individual objectives of those acts".
- CJEU C-247/09 Xhymshiti [18 Nov. 2010]
- * interpr. of Reg. 859/2003 Social Security TCN
- * In the case in which a national of a non-member country is lawfully resident in a MS of the EU and works in Switzerland, Reg. 859/2003 does not apply to that person in his MS of residence, in so far as that regulation is not among the Community acts mentioned in section A of Annex II to the EU-Switzerland Agreement which the parties to that agreement undertake to apply.
- CJEU C-87/12 **Ymeraga** [8 May 2013]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 3(3)]
- * Directives 2003/86 and 2004/38 are not applicable to third-country nationals who apply for the right of residence in order to join a family member who is a Union citizen and has never exercised

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his right of freedom of movement as a Union citizen, always having resided as such in the Member State of which he holds the nationality (see, also, C-256/11 Dereci a.o., par. 58).

1.3.2 CJEU pending cases on Regular Migration

- **☞** CJEU C-309/14 *CGIL*
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 Long-Term Resident
- * ref. from 'Tribunale Amministrativo Regionale per il Lazio' (Italy) 17-12-2013
- * Italian national legislation has set a minimum fee for a residence permit, which is around eight times the charge for the issue of a national identity card. Is such national legislation in conflict with the LTR directive?
- **☞** CJEU C-153/14 **K. & A.**
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 7(2)]
- * AG: 19 Mar. 2015
- * ref. from 'Raad van State' (Netherlands) 03-04-2014
- * On the acceptability of integration test abroad.
- CJEU C-558/14 Kachab
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 7(1)(c)]
- * ref. from 'Tribunal Superior de Justicia del Pais Vasco' (Spain)
- * Does the Dir. precludes that national legislation, which allows an application for family reunification to be refused on the grounds that the sponsor does not have stable and regular resources sufficient to maintain himself and the members of his family, according to a prospective assessment by the national authorities of the likelihood of the economic resources in question being retained in the year following the date of submission of the application, taking into account the pattern of those resources in the six months preceding that date?
- CJEU C-527/14 Oruche
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 7(2)]
- * ref. from 'Verwaltungsgericht Berlin' (Germany)
- * Does the Dir. preclude that the first entry of a member of the family of a sponsor is conditional on the requirement that, prior to entry, the family member can demonstrate the ability to communicate, in a basic way, in the German language?
- CJEU C-176/14 Van Hauthem
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/109 Long-Term Resident [Art. 14]
- * ref. from 'Raad van State' (Belgium)
- * in the absence of a specific exclusion of an economic activity on the basis of Article 14(3), a long-term resident of another Member State will gain unlimited access to the Belgian labour market, including to positions which, on the basis of Article 11(1)(a) or Article 11(3)(a) of Directive 2003/109/EC, could be denied to long-term residents of Belgium, or to positions from which EEA nationals could also be excluded pursuant to Article 45(4) TFEU or Article 28(4) of the EEA Agreement?
- CJEU C-465/14 Wieland & Rothwangl
- * interpr. of Reg. 859/2003 Social Security TCN [Art. 1]
- * ref. from 'Centrale Raad van Beroep' (Netherlands)
- * On the entitlement of a former seaman to a pension.

1.3.3 EFTA judgments on Regular Migration

- **EFTA E-4/11** *Clauder* [26 July 2011]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2003/86 Family Reunification [Art. 7(1)]
- * ref. from 'Verwaltungsgerichtshof' (Liechtenstein)
- * An EEA national with a right of permanent residence, who is a pensioner and in receipt of social welfare benefits in the host EEA State, may claim the right to family reunification even if the family member will also be claiming social welfare benefits.

1.3.4 ECtHR Judgments on Regular Migration

ECtHR Ap.no. 8000/08 A.A. v. UK [20 Sep. 2011]

- * violation of **ECHR** [Art. 8]
- * The applicant alleged, in particular, that his deportation to Nigeria would violate his right to respect for his family and private life and would deprive him of the right to education by terminating his university studies in the United Kingdom.
- ECtHR Ap.no. 26940/10 *Antwi v.* [14 Feb. 2012]
- * no violation of **ECHR** [Art. 8]
- * A case similar to Nunez (ECtHR 28 June 2011) except that de judgment is not unanimous (2 dissenting opinions). Mr Antwi from Ghana migrates in 1988 to Germany on a false Portuguese passport. In Germany he meets his future wife (also from Ghana) who lives in Norway and is naturalised to Norwegian nationality. Mr Antwi moves to Norway to live with her and their first child is born in 2001 in Norway. In 2005 the parents marry in Ghana and subsequently it is discovered that mr Antwi travels on a false passport. In Norway mr Antwi goes to trial and is expelled to Ghana with a five year re-entry ban. The Court does not find that the Norwegian authorities acted arbitrarily or otherwise transgressed the margin of appreciation which should be accorded to it in this area when seeking to strike a fair balance between its public interest in ensuring effective immigration control, on the one hand, and the applicants' need that the first applicant be able to remain in Norway, on the other hand.
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 38590/10 **Biao v. DK** [25 Mar. 2014]
- * no violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * Request for referral to the Grand Chamber on 9 Aug. 2014
- * The Danish statutory amendment requires that the spouses' aggregate ties with Denmark has to be stronger than the spouses' aggregate ties with another country. Only in such cases a right of residence is granted. This Danish "attachement requirement" does not violate art. 8 or art. 14 ECHR.
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 54273/00 **Boultif v. CH** [2 Aug. 2001]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * Expulsion of one of the spouses is a serious obstacle to family life for the remaining spouse and children in the context of article 8. In this case the ECtHR establishes guiding principles in order to examine whether such a measure is necessary in a democratic society. Relevant criteria are:
 - the nature and seriousness of the offence committed by the applicant;
 - the length of the applicant's stay in the country from which he is going to be expelled;
 - the time elapsed since the offence was committed as well as the applicant's conduct in that period;
 - the nationalities of the various persons concerned;
 - the applicant's family situation, such as the length of the marriage;
 - and other factors expressing the effectiveness of a couple's family life;
 - whether the spouse knew about the offence at the time when he or she entered into a family relationship;
 - and whether there are children in the marriage, and if so, their age.

Not least, the Court will also consider the seriousness of the difficulties which the spouse is likely to encounter in the country of origin, though the mere fact that a person might face certain difficulties in accompanying her or his spouse cannot in itself exclude an expulsion.

- ECtHR Ap.no. 47017/09 Butt v. NO [4 Dec. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * At the age of 3 and 4, the Butt children enter Norway with their mother from Pakistan in 1989. They receive a residence permit on humanitarian grounds. After a couple of years the mother returns with the children to Pakistan without knowledge of the Norwegian authorities. After a couple years the mother travels again back to Norway to continue living there. The children are 10 an 11 years old. When the father of the children wants to live also in Norway, a new investigation shows that the family has lived both in Norway and in Pakistan and their residence permit is withdrawn. However, the expulsion of the children is not carried out. Years later, their deportation is discussed again. The mother has already died and the adult children still do not have any contact with their father in Pakistan. Their ties with Pakistan are so weak and reversely with Norway so strong that their expulsion is would entail a violation of art. 8.
- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 22689/07 **De Souza Ribeiro v. UK** [13 Dec. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8 + 13]
- * A Brazilian in French Guiana was removed to Brazil within 50 minutes after an appeal had been lodged against his removal order. In this case the Court considers that the haste with which the removal order was executed had the effect of rendering the available remedies ineffective in

practice and therefore inaccessible. The brevity of that time lapse excludes any possibility that the court seriously examined the circumstances and legal arguments in favour of or against a violation of Article 8 of the Convention in the event of the removal order being enforced. Thus, while States are afforded some discretion as to the manner in which they conform to their obligations under Article 13 of the Convention, that discretion must not result, as in the present case, in an applicant being denied access in practice to the minimum procedural safeguards needed to protect him against arbitrary expulsion. Concerning the danger of overloading the courts and adversely affecting the proper administration of justice in French Guiana, the Court reiterates that, as with Article 6 of the Convention, Article 13 imposes on the Contracting States the duty to organise their judicial systems in such a way that their courts can meet its requirements.

- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 17120/09 **Dhahbi v. IT** [8 Apr. 2014]
- * interpr. of **ECHR** [Art. 6, 8 and 14]
- * The ECtHR ruled that art. 6(1) also means that a national judge has an obligation to decide on a question which requests for a preliminary ruling on the interpretation of Union law. Either the national judge explicitly argues why such a request is pointless (or already answered) or the national judge requests the CJEU for a preliminary ruling on the issue. In this case the Italian Supreme Court did not answer the question at all.
- ECtHR Ap.no. 22251/07 *G.R. v. NL* [10 Jan. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8 + 13]
- * The applicant did not have effective access to the administrative procedure by which he might, subject to fulfilling the conditions prescribed by domestic law, obtain a residence permit which would allow him to reside lawfully with his family in the Netherlands, due to the disproportion between the administrative charge in issue and the actual income of the applicant's family. The Court finds that the extremely formalistic attitude of the Minister which, endorsed by the Regional Court, also deprived the applicant of access to the competent administrative tribunal unjustifiably hindered the applicant's use of an otherwise effective domestic remedy.

 There has therefore been a violation of Article 8 and 13 of the Convention.
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 52166/09 *Hasanbasic v. CH* [11 June 2013]
- * violation of **ECHR** [Art. 8]
- * After living in Switzerland for 23 years with a residence permit, the applicant decides to go back to Bosnia. Soon after, he gets seriously ill and wants to get back to his wife who stayed in Switzerland. However, this (family reunification) request is denied mainly because of the fact that he has been on welfare and had been fined (a total of 350 euros) and convicted for several offences (a total of 17 days imprisonment). The court rules that this rejection, given the circumstances of the case, is disproportionate and a violation of article 8.
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 22341/09 *Hode and Abdi v. UK* [6 Nov. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8 + 14]
- * Discrimination on the basis of date of marriage has no objective and reasonable justification.
- ECtHR Ap.no. 12738/10 *Jeunesse v. NL* [3 Oct. 2014]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * The central issue in this case is whether, bearing in mind the margin of appreciation afforded to States in immigration matters, a fair balance has been struck between the competing interests at stake, namely the personal interests of the applicant, her husband and their children in maintaining their family life in the Netherlands on the one hand and, on the other, the public order interests of the respondent Government in controlling immigration. In view of the particular circumstances of the case, it is questionable whether general immigration policy considerations of themselves can be regarded as sufficient justification for refusing the applicant residence in the Netherlands.
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 32504/11 *Kaplan a.o. v. NO* [24 July 2014]
- violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * explicit reference to the Best interests of the Child
- * A Turkish father's application for asylum is denied in 1998. After a conviction for aggravated burglary in 1999 he gets an expulsion order and an indefinite entry ban. On appeal this entry ban is reduced to 5 years. Finally he is expelled in 2011. His wife and children arrived in Norway in 2003 and were granted citizenship in 2012. Given the youngest daughter special care needs (related to chronic and serious autism), the bond with the father and the long period of inactivity of the immigration authorities, the Court states that it is not convinced in the concrete and exceptional circumstance of the case that sufficient weight was attached to the best interests of the child.

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- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 1638/03 *Maslov v. AU* [22 Mar. 2007]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * In addition to the criteria set out in **Boultif** and **Ünerte** the ECtHR considers that for a settled migrant who has lawfully spent all or the major part of his or her childhood and youth in the host country very serious reasons are required to justify expulsion. This is all the more so where the person concerned committed the offences underlying the expulsion measure as a juvenile.
- ECtHR Ap.no. 52701/09 Mugenzi v. FR [10 July 2014]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * The Court noted the particular difficulties the applicant encountered in their applications, namely the excessive delays and lack of reasons or explanations given throughout the process, despite the fact that he had already been through traumatic experiences.
- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 41615/07 *Neulinger v. CH* [6 July 2010]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * The child's best interests, from a personal development perspective, will depend on a variety of individual circumstances, in particular his age and level of maturity, the presence or absence of his parents and his environment and experiences. For that reason, those best interests must be assessed in each individual case. To that end they enjoy a certain margin of appreciation, which remains subject, however, to a European supervision whereby the Court reviews under the Convention the decisions that those authorities have taken in the exercise of that power. In this case the Court notes that the child has Swiss nationality and that he arrived in the country in June 2005 at the age of two. He has been living there continuously ever since. He now goes to school in Switzerland and speaks French. Even though he is at an age where he still has a certain capacity for adaptation, the fact of being uprooted again from his habitual environment would probably have serious consequences for him, especially if he returns on his own, as indicated in the medical reports. His return to Israel cannot therefore be regarded as beneficial.
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 55597/09 *Nunez v. NO* [28 June 2011]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * Athough Ms Nunez was deported from Norway in 1996 with a two-year ban on her re-entry into Norway, she returned to Norway, got married and had two daughters born in 2002 and 2003. It takes until 2005 for the Norwegian authorities to revoke her permits and to decide that mrs Nunez should be expelled. The Court rules that the authorities had not struck a fair balance between the public interest in ensuring effective immigration control and Ms Nunez's need to remain in Norway in order to continue to have contact with her children.
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 34848/07 **O'Donoghue v. UK** [14 Dec. 2010]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 12 + 14]
- * Judgment of Fourth Section
- * The UK Certificate of Approval required foreigners, except those wishing to marry in the Church of England, to pay large fees to obtain the permission from the Home Office to marry. The Court found that the conditions violated the right to marry (Article 12 of the Convention), that it was discriminatory in its application (Article 14 of the Convention) and that it was discriminatory on the ground of religion (Articles 9 and 14 of the Convention).
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 38058/09 **Osman v. DK** [14 June 2011]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * The Court concluded that the denial of admission of a 17 years old Somali girl to Denmark, where she had lived from the age of seven until the age of fifteen, violated Article 8. For a settled migrant who has lawfully spent all of the major part of his or her childhood and youth in a host country, very serious reasons are required to justify expulsion'. The Danish Government had argued that the refusal was justified because the applicant had been taken out of the country by her father, with her mother's permission, in exercise of their rights of parental responsibility. The Court agreed 'that the exercise of parental rights constitutes a fundamental element of family life', but concluded that 'in respecting parental rights, the authorities cannot ignore the child's interest including its own right to respect for private and family life'.
- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 12020/09 *Udeh v. CH* [16 Apr. 2013]
- * violation of **ECHR** [Art. 8]
- * In 2001 a Nigerian national, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment for possession of a small quantity of cocaine. In 2003 he married a Swiss national who had just given birth to their twin daughters. By virtue of his marriage, he was granted a residence permit in Switzerland. In 2006 he was sentenced to forty-two months' imprisonment in Germany for a drug-trafficking offence. The

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Swiss Office of Migration refused to renew his residence permit, stating that his criminal conviction and his family's dependence on welfare benefits were grounds for his expulsion. An appeal was dismissed. In 2009 he was informed that he had to leave Switzerland. In 2011 he was made the subject of an order prohibiting him from entering Switzerland until 2020. Although he is divorced in the meantime and custody of the children has been awarded to the mother, he has been given contact rights. The court rules that deportation and exclusion orders would prevent the immigrant with two criminal convictions from seeing his minor children: deportation would constitute a violation of article 8.

- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 46410/99 **Üner v. NL** [18 Oct. 2006]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 8]
- * The expulsion of an alien raises a problem within the context of art. 8 ECHR if that alien has a family whom he has to leave behind. In Boultif (54273/00) the Court elaborated the relevant criteria which it would use in order to assess whether an expulsion measure was necessary in a democratic society and proportionate to the legitimate aim pursued. These criteria are:
 - the nature and seriousness of the offence committed by the applicant;
 - the length of the applicant's stay in the country from which he or she is to be expelled;
 - the time elapsed since the offence was committed and the applicant's conduct during that period;
 - the nationalities of the various persons concerned;
 - the applicant's family situation, such as the length of the marriage, and other factors expressing the effectiveness of a couple's family life;
 - whether the spouse knew about the offence at the time when he or she entered into a family relationship;
 - whether there are children of the marriage, and if so, their age; and
 - the seriousness of the difficulties which the spouse is likely to encounter in the country to which the applicant is to be expelled.

The Court adds in this judgment two additional criteria:

- the best interests and well-being of the children, in particular the seriousness of the difficulties which any children of the applicant are likely to encounter in the country to which the applicant is to be expelled; and
- the solidity of social, cultural and family ties with the host country and with the country of destination.

1.3.5 National Judgments on Regular Migration

- **Germany:** BVerwG 10 C 4.12 [29 Dec. 2012]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2003/86: Family Reunification Art. 17
- * In a family reunification case, the Federal Administrative Court decided that, following the Chakroun judgment of the CJEU, the level of income that can be required from the sponsor, also depends on the actual needs of the family as a whole. If the necessary income level is not fully ensured, Article 17 of the Family Reunification Directive requires a further individual assessment if there are reasons to derogate from the formal income requirement. This assessment is in any case subject of a full judicial scrutiny.
- **Germany:** VerwG Berlin VG 29 K 138.12V [25 Oct. 2012]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2003/86: Family Reunification Art. 7(2)
- * The Verwaltungsgericht (Administrative Court) of Berlin asked, first, whether passing the language test as a condition for family reunification was in compliance with the standstill clauses in the EEC-Turkey Association law and, second, whether it was in compliance with Article 7(2) of the Family Reunification Directive.
- **Germany:** BVerwG 10 C 12.12 [4 Sep. 2012]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2003/86: Family Reunification Art. 8
- appeal from VG Berlin, 1 Aug. 2011, VG 22 K 340.09 V
- * http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Germany/BVerwG10C1212.pdf
- * The German pre-entry language requirement is in compliance with art. 6 German Constitution and art. 8 ECHR, as long as the measure is proportional in the individual case. In case of a third country national with a German partner, this principle of proportionality is violated earlier than in case of both partners being third country nationals, because the German Constitution guarantees the right to residence to German citizens. Even if the German has also the Afghan nationality he can't be expected to live with his family life outside Germany. Therefore the spouse may enter Germany even without passing the language test if he or she has shown efforts to learn the

language, but has not succeeded within a year's time. This period of one year does not need to be fulfilled if there are no courses (or alternatives) available or if participation in a course implies a high security risk. A German citizen who did not use the EU right to free movement, cannot rely on art. 9 Charter of Fundamental Rights, as Union law is not applicable. In this regard the court refers to art. 3(3) Dir. 2003/86, which excludes Union citizens. According to the court, this explicit exclusion in the directive justifies a different interpretation of the personal scope than the scope of Decision 1/80, as interpreted by the CJEU in the case Kahveci and Inan (C-7/10 and C-9/10).

- **Germany:** BVerwG 1 C 9.10 [28 Oct. 2011]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2003/86: Family Reunification
- * appeal from Berlin-Brandenburg Higher Adminstrative Court, 25 Mar. 2010
- * http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Germany/BVerwG1C910.pdf
- * Regarding the position of the European Commission taken in the case Imran (see CJEU 155/11 in the previous section) that a certain language level as a condition for admission is not in compliance with the directive, a preliminary ruling of the Court of Justice would have been necessary in this case. However it was finished by granting the claimed residence permits and the decision was only on the costs. But the importance of the decision lies in the fact that German Court in difference from its previous judgment of 30 March 2010 (BVerwG 1 C 8.09) now regards it necessary to make a reference to the CJEU on the question whether the language requirement is in compliance with the Family Reunification Directive.
- Germany: Bundessozialgericht B 14 AS 23/10 R [19 Oct. 2010]
- * interpretation of European Convention on Social and Medical Assistance
- http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Germany/BundessozialgerichtB14AS2310R.pdf
- * A Frenchman lawfully residing as a 'jobseeker' in Germany was entitled to social assistance benefit (Arbeitslosengeld: similar to CJEU C-22/08 Vatsouras) during the period he retained his right as a worker on the basis of art. 7(3)(c) of the Dir. on Free Movement. The question in this case was whether he was still entitled to this benefit after these 6 months as German citizens are. Such a limitation for non-nationals is an implementation of art. 24(2) of the Dir. on Free Movement. However, the German Court decided that the European Convention on Social and Medical Assistance [1953] does not allow such a limitation.
- **Germany:** BVerwG 1 C 8.09 [30 Mar. 2010]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2003/86: *Family Reunification* Art. 7(2) interpretation of *ECHR* Art. 8
- * appeal from Berlin Adminstrative Court, 17 Feb. 2009, VG 35 V 47.08
- * http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Germany/BVerwG1C809.pdf
- * This decision is about the validity of integration measures of family members before arrival in the host Member State. (This case involved an illiterate applicant.) See also BVerG 1 C 9.10.
- Ireland: Casha Digale [2013] IEHC 25 [22 Jan. 2013]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2003/86: *Family Reunification* Art. 4+10 http://www.bailii.org/ie/cases/IEHC/2013/H25.html
- * A beneficiary of refugee status sought family reunification unsuccessfully for her niece and nephew who she referred to as her own children; who had been orphaned; and whom she was not capable of formally adopting owing to the absence of available procedures in Somalia or where they were living in Ethiopia. The children had attained the age of majority after the Application had been made, but prior to a decision. The Minister refused family reunification on the basis that they were not dependent.

The Applicant was successful in her Judicial Review as the Court found that the Minister had erred in restricting the assessment of dependency to the narrow issue of being financially dependent. Dependency should take into account all relevant social, economic, personal, physical, emotional and cultural bonds between the refugee and family member being considered. Furthermore the Minister did not conduct a proper investigation as to what would be objectively required to amount to dependency, and appeared to carry out "no more than an arbitrary evaluation based on no identified criteria".

- Netherlands: Raad van State 201401261/1/V1 [17 June 2014]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2003/109: Long-Term Resident
- * The Dutch Council of State has decided that the level of fees for requiring the status of an EU Long-Term resident (\in 130), is not disproportionate for an individual applicant. However if a family, consisting of four persons, has to pay $4x \in 130$, the fees can constitute an obstacle to the exercise of the rights conferred by the Directive. The Council of State based its reasoning on the

judgment of the CJEU (C-508/10 of April 2012), in which the Court decided that the Dutch fees were "excessive and disproportionate". The fees had been lowered since then, but the question remained if they had been lowered sufficiently. As a result of the recent Council of State's decision, the fees for minor children for acquiring an EU Long-Term residence status as well as for family reunification have been reduced to ϵ 53.

- ▼ Netherlands: Rb Den Haag zp Den Bosch AWB 12/9408 [23 Nov. 2012]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2003/86: Family Reunification Art. 7(2)
- * http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Netherlands/RbDenHaagzpDenBoschAWB129408.pdf
- * Dutch District Court fully endorses the position of the European Commission taken in the **Imran** case (C-155/11) that the denial of family reunification for the sole reason that the applicant has failed the integration test abroad, is not in compliance with Article 7(2) of the Directive. According to this court, a request for a preliminary ruling was not necessary as the interpretation of the Commission was crystal clear.
- Netherlands: Raad van State 201008782/1/V1 [9 Oct. 2012]
- * violation of Dir. 2003/86: Family Reunification
- * http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Netherlands/RaadvanState2010087821V1.pdf
- * The Dutch Council of State (highest administrative court) decided that the CJEU judgment on the Dutch fees for long term residents (26 April 2012, case C-508/10, Commission against the Netherlands), which the Court considered as 'extraordinary high', and therefore not in compliance with (the objective of) Directive 2003/109, also has repercussions for the level of fees for family reunification. According to the Council of State, the high level can also constitute an obstacle for the exercise of the right to family reunification and therefore violate Directive 2003/86, undermining its objective.
- **United Kingdom:** Quila SC [2011]UKSC45 [12 Oct. 2011]
- * interpretation of *ECHR* Art. 8
- http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/UK/QuilaSC.2011.UKSC45.pdf
- * These two cases concern the application of Rule 277 of the Immigration Rules (HC 395) under which the spouse or civil partner of a British national or someone settled in the UK is prevented from entering and settling in the UK if either party is under the age of 21. A parallel rule applies to fiancés and unmarried or same-sex partners. Although it was clear that the marriage was not a forced marriage, the applicants had to leave the UK in order to have a family life. The Supreme Court held that the rule was "rationally connected to the objective of deterring forced marriages (...) but the number of forced marriages which it deters is highly debatable. What seems clear is that the number of unforced marriages which it obstructs from their intended development for up to three years vastly exceeds the number of forced marriages which it deters".

The Court concluded that the Secretary of State had failed to establish that the interference with the rights of the respondents under Article 8, which protects the right to private life, that had been caused by the rule was justified.

- United Kingdom: ZH (Tanzania) SC [2011]UKSC4 [1 Feb. 2011]
- * interpretation of UN Convention on the Rights of the Child
- http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/UK/ZH.Tanzania.SC.2011.UKSC4.pdf
- * The Supreme Court had to decide what the UK's obligation to respect the best interests of the child means in the context of British national children of a foreign mother who is subject to a deportation decision. The SC finds that the children's interest to live in their country of nationality, at least in this case, outweighs the public interest in the deportation of the mother. The SC does not refer to EU law but finds that expulsion can be contrary to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.
- **☞** United Kingdom: MH Morocco [2010] UKUT 439 IAC [28 Sep. 2010]
- * interpretation of *ECHR* Art. 8
- * http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/UK/MHMorocco.2010.UKUT439IAC.pdf
- * A refusal to adjourn proceedings before the Tribunal may have similar consequence as a decision to remove an applicant in the process of seeking a contact order: a violation of art. 8 ECHR.

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7	CJEU C-188/10 & C-189/10 <i>Melki & Abdeli</i>	22 June	2010	Art. $20 + 21$
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* OJ 2007 L 144

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* OJ 2013 L 295/11

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* OJ 2004 L 349/1

amd by Reg. 863/2007 (OJ 2007 L 199/30): Border guard teams

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* OJ 2006 L 405/1

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* OJ 2004 L 385/1

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- * Replacing:

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- * OJ 2014 L 157/23
- * repealing Dec. 895/2006 and Dec. 582/2008 (OJ 2008 L 161/30)

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- * OJ 2008 L 162/27
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Establishing an Agency to manage VIS, SIS & Eurodac

* OJ 2011 L 286/1

Regulation 810/2009

Visa Code

Establishing a Community Code on Visas

* OJ 2009 L 243/1

amd by Reg. 154/2012 (OJ 2012 L 58/3)

CJEU judgments

CJEU C-575/12 Air Baltic	4 Sep.	2014	Art. $24(1) + 34$
CJEU C-84/12 Koushkaki	19 Dec.	2013	Art. $23(4) + 32(1)$
☞ CJEU C-39/12 Dang	18 June	2012	Art. $21 + 34$ - deleted
☞ CJEU C-83/12 <i>Vo</i>	10 Apr.	2012	Art. $21 + 34$

See further: § 2.3 **Regulation 1683/95**

Visa Format

Uniform format for visas

***** OJ 1995 L 164/1

UK opt in

UK opt in

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amd by Reg. 334/2002 (OJ 2002 L 53/7) amd by Reg. 856/2008 (OJ 2008 L 235/1)
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Regulation 539/2001

Visa List

Listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas

* OJ 2001 L 81/1

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amd by Reg. 2414/2001 (OJ 2001 L 327/1): Moving Romania to 'white list' amd by Reg. 453/2003 (OJ 2003 L 69/10): Moving Ecuador to 'black list' amd by Reg. 851/2005 (OJ 2005 L 141/3): On reciprocity for visas amd by Reg. 1932/2006 (OJ 2006 L 405/23) amd by Reg. 1244/2009 (OJ 2009 L 336/1): Lifting visa req. for some Western Balkan countries amd by Reg. 1091/2010 (OJ 2010 L 329/1): Lifting visa req. for Albania and Bosnia amd by Reg. 1211/2010 (OJ 2010 L 339/6): Lifting visa req. for Taiwan
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amd by Reg. 1289/2013 (OJ 2013 L 347/74)

amd by Reg. 259/2014 (OJ 2014 L 105/9): *lifting visa req. for Moldova* amd by Reg. 509/2014 (OJ 2014 L 149/67): *Lifting visa req. for Pacific nations*

CJEU pending cases

☞ CJEU C-88/14 *Comm. v. EP*

pending

See further: § 2.3

Regulation 333/2002

Protocols

Visa Stickers

Uniform format for forms for affixing the visa

* OJ 2002 L 53/4

ECHR *Anti-torture European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and its*

Art. 3 Prohibition of Turture, Degrading Treatment

* ETS 005 (4-11-50)	impl. date 1950	
ECtHR Judgments		
ECtHR Ap.no. 53608/11 B.M.	19 Dec. 2013	Art. $3 + 13$
ECtHR Ap.no. 55352/12 Aden Ahmed	23 July 2013	Art. $3 + 5$
ECtHR Ap.no. 11463/09 Samaras	28 Feb. 2012	Art. 3
ECtHR Ap.no. 27765/09 Hirsi	21 Feb. 2012	Art. $3 + 13$
See further: § 2.3		

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Regulation amending Regulation 562/2006

Borders Code II

On the temporary reintroduction of border control at internal borders in exceptional circumstances

- * COM (2013) 96, 27 Feb. 2013
- under discussion in Council

Regulation

Establishing an Entry/Exit System (EES) to register entry and exit data of third country nationals crossing the external borders

- * COM (2013) 95, 27 Feb. 2013
- * under discussion in Council

Regulation Touring Visa

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Establishing Touring Visa

- Com (2014) 163
- under discussion in Council April 2014 amending:

Reg. 562/2006 Borders Code

Reg. 767/2008 VIS

Regulation amending Regulation

Travellers

Establishing a Registered Traveller Programme (RTP)

- COM (2013) 97, 27 Feb. 2013
- under discussion in Council

Regulation

Visa Code II

Recast of the Visa Code

- Com (2014) 164
- under discussion in Council April 2014

New Regulation

Visa List II

Codifying Regulations establishing EU visa list

- COM (2008) 761, 28 Nov. 2008
- replacing Reg. 539/2001: Withdrawn Mar 2015

2.3 Borders and Visas: Jurisprudence

case law sorted in alphabetical order

2.3.1 CJEU Judgments on Borders and Visas

- CJEU C-278/12 (PPU) *Adil* [19 July 2012]
- * interpr. of Reg. 562/2006 **Borders Code** [Art. 20 + 21]
- * The Schengen Borders Code must be interpreted as not precluding national legislation, such as that at issue in the main proceedings, which enables officials responsible for border surveillance and the monitoring of foreign nationals to carry out checks, in a geographic area 20 kilometres from the land border between a MS and the State parties to the CISA, with a view to establishing whether the persons stopped satisfy the requirements for lawful residence applicable in the MS concerned, when those checks are based on general information and experience regarding the illegal residence of persons at the places where the checks are to be made, when they may also be carried out to a limited extent in order to obtain such general information and experience-based data in that regard, and when the carrying out of those checks is subject to certain limitations concerning, inter alia, their intensity and frequency.
- **CJEU C-575/12** *Air Baltic* [4 Sep. 2014]
- interpr. of Reg. 562/2006 Borders Code [Art. 5]
- The Borers Code precludes national legislation, which makes the entry of TCNs to the territory of the MS concerned subject to the condition that, at the border check, the valid visa presented must necessarily be affixed to a valid travel document.
- CJEU C-575/12 *Air Baltic* [4 Sep. 2014]
- interpr. of Reg. 810/2009 Visa Code [Art. 24(1) + 34]
- The cancellation of a travel document by an authority of a third country does not mean that the uniform visa affixed to that document is automatically invalidated.
- **CJEU C-606/10 ANAFE** [14 June 2012]
- interpr. of Reg. 562/2006 Borders Code [Art. 13 + 5(4)(a)]
- annulment of national legislation on visa
- Article 5(4)(a) must be interpreted as meaning that a MS which issues to a TCN a re-entry visa within the meaning of that provision cannot limit entry into the Schengen area solely to points of entry to its national territory.

The principles of legal certainty and protection of legitimate expectations did not require the provision of transitional measures for the benefit of TCNs who had left the territory of a MS when they were holders of temporary residence permits issued pending examination of a first application for a residence permit or an application for asylum and wanted to return to that territory (after the entry into force of this Regulation)

- **CJEU C-241/05 Bot** [4 Oct. 2006]
- interpr. of Schengen Agreement [Art. 20(1)]

- * on the conditions of movement of third-country nationals not subject to a visa requirement; on the meaning of 'first entry' and successive stays
- * This provision allows TCNs not subject to a visa requirement to stay in the Schengen Area for a maximum period of three months during successive periods of six months, provided that each of those periods commences with a 'first entry'.
- **CJEU C-139/13** *Comm. v. Belgium* [13 Feb. 2014]
- * violation of Reg. 2252/2004 Passports [Art. 6]
- * Failure to implement biometric passports containing digital fingerprints within the prescribed periods.
- CJEU C-257/01 Comm. v. Council [18 Jan. 2005]
- * challenge to Regs. 789/2001 and 790/2001
- * upholding validity of Regs.
- **CJEU C-39/12 Dang** [18 June 2012] (deleted)
- * interpr. of Reg. 810/2009 Visa Code [Art. 21 + 34 deleted]
- * Whether penalties can be applied in the case of foreign nationals in possession of a visa which was obtained by deception from a competent authority of another Member State but has not yet been annulled pursuant to the regulation.
- **CJEU C-355/10** *EP v. Council* [5 Sep. 2012]
- * violation of Reg. 562/2006 Borders Code
- * annulment of measure supplementing Borders Code
- * The CJEU decided to annul Council Decision 2010/252 of 26 April 2010 supplementing the Borders Code as regards the surveillance of the sea external borders in the context of operational cooperation coordinated by the European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union. According to the Court, this decision contains essential elements of the surveillance of the sea external borders of the Member States which go beyond the scope of the additional measures within the meaning of Art. 12(5) of the Borders Code. As only the European Union legislature was entitled to adopt such a decision, this could not have been decided by comitology. Furthermore the Court ruled that the effects of decision 2010/252 maintain until the entry into force of new rules within a reasonable time.
- **CJEU C-261/08 & C-348/08 Garcia & Cabrera** [22 Oct. 2009]
- * interpr. of Reg. 562/2006 **Borders Code** [Art. 5, 11 + 13]
- * Member States are not obliged to expel a third-country national who is unlawfully present on the territory of a Member State because the conditions of duration of stay are not or no longer fulfilled
- * Where a TCN is unlawfully present on the territory of a MS because he or she does not fulfil, or no longer fulfils, the conditions of duration of stay applicable there, that MS is not obliged to adopt a decision to expel that person.
- **CJEU C-430/10** *Gaydarov* [17 Nov. 2011]
- * interpr. of Reg. 562/2006 Borders Code
- * Reg. does not preclude national legislation that permits the restriction of the right of a national of a MS to travel to another MS in particular on the ground that he has been convicted of a criminal offence of narcotic drug trafficking in another State, provided that (i) the personal conduct of that national constitutes a genuine, present and sufficiently serious threat affecting one of the fundamental interests of society, (ii) the restrictive measure envisaged is appropriate to ensure the achievement of the objective it pursues and does not go beyond what is necessary to attain it and (iii) that measure is subject to effective judicial review permitting a determination of its legality as regards matters of fact and law in the light of the requirements of European Union law.
- **CJEU C-88/12 Jaoo** [14 Sep. 2012] (deleted)
- * interpr. of Reg. 562/2006 **Borders Code** [Art. 20 + 21 deleted]
- * On statutory provision authorising, in the context of countering illegal residence after borders have been crossed, police checks in the area between the land border of the Netherlands with Belgium or Germany and a line situated within 20 kilometres of that border
- CJEU C-84/12 Koushkaki [19 Dec. 2013]
- * interpr. of Reg. 810/2009 Visa Code [Art. 23(4) + 32(1)]
- * Art. 23(4), 32(1) and 35(6) must be interpreted as meaning that the competent authorities of a MS cannot refuse a visa to an applicant unless one of the grounds for refusal of a visa listed in those provisions can be applied to that applicant. In the examinations of those conditions and the relevant facts, authorities have a wide discretion. The obligation to issue a uniform visa is subject

to the condition that there is no reasonable doubt that the applicant intends to leave the territory of the Member States before the expiry of the visa applied for.

- **CJEU C-139/08 Kqiku** [2 Apr. 2009]
- * interpr. of Dec. 896/2006 Transit Switzerland [Art. 1 + 2]
- * on transit visa legislation for third-country nationals subject to a visa requirement
- * Residence permits issued by the Swiss Confederation or the Principality of Liechtenstein to TCNs subject to a visa requirement, are considered to be equivalent to a transit visa only.
- CJEU C-188/10 & C-189/10 Melki & Abdeli [22 June 2010]
- * interpr. of Reg. 562/2006 **Borders Code** [Art. 20 + 21]
- * consistency of national law and European Union law, abolition of border control and the area of 20 kilometres from the land border
- * The French 'stop and search' law, which allowed for controls behind the internal border, is in violation of article 20 and 21 of the Borders code, due to the lack of requirement of "behaviour and of specific circumstances giving rise to a risk of breach of public order". According to the Court, controls may not have an effect equivalent to border checks.
- CJEU C-291/12 Schwarz [17 Oct. 2013]
- * interpr. of Reg. 2252/2004 Passports [Art. 1(2)]
- * Although the taking and storing of fingerprints in passports constitutes an infringement of the rights to respect for private life and the protection of personal data, such measures are nonetheless justified for the purpose of preventing any fraudulent use of passports.
- **CJEU C-254/11 Shomodi** [21 Mar. 2013]
- * interpr. of Reg. 1931/2006 Local Border traffic [Art. 2(a) + 3(3)]
- * The holder of a local border traffic permit must be able to move freely within the border area for a period of three months if his stay is uninterrupted and to have a new right to a three-month stay each time that his stay is interrupted. There is such an interruption of stay upon the crossing of the border irrespective of the frequency of such crossings, even if they occur several times daily.
- **☞** CJEU C-101/13 *U*. [2 Oct. 2014]
- * interpr. of Reg. 2252/2004 Passports
- * About the recording and spelling of names, surnames and family names in passports. Where a MS whose law provides that a person's name comprises his forenames and surname chooses nevertheless to include (also) the birth name of the passport holder in the machine readable personal data page of the passport, that State is required to state clearly in the caption of those fields that the birth name is entered there.
- **CJEU C-77/05 & C-137/05 UK v. Council** [18 Dec. 2007]
- * validity of Border Agency Regulation and Passport Regulation
- * judgment against UK
- **CJEU C-482/08** *UK v. Council* [26 Oct. 2010]
- * annulment of decision on police access to VIS, due to UK non-participation
- * judgment against UK
- **☞** CJEU C-83/12 **Vo** [10 Apr. 2012]
- * interpr. of Reg. 810/2009 Visa Code [Art. 21 + 34]
- * First substantive decision on Visa Code. The Court rules that the Visa Code does not preclude that national legislation of one MS penalises migration-related identity fraud with genuine visa issued by another MS.
- **CJEU C-446/12** *Willems a.o.* [16 Apr. 2015]
- * interpr. of Reg. 2252/2004 Passports [Art. 4(3)]
- * Article 4(3) does not require the Member States to guarantee, in their legislation, that biometric data collected and stored in accordance with that regulation will not be collected, processed and used for purposes other than the issue of the passport or travel document, since that is not a matter which falls within the scope of that regulation.
- CJEU C-23/12 Zakaria [17 Jan. 2013]
- * interpr. of Reg. 562/2006 **Borders Code** [Art. 13(3)]
- * MSs are obliged to establish a means of obtaining redress only against decisions to refuse entry.

New

2.3.2 CJEU pending cases on Borders and Visas

- **☞** CJEU C-88/14 *Comm. v. EP*
- * AG: 7 May 2015

New

- * On the validity of the amendment of the visa list by Regulation 1289/2013.
- CJEU C-44/14 Spain v. EP & Council
- * non-transp. of Reg. 1052/2013 EUROSUR
- * AG: 13 May 2015
- * May a measure constituting development of the provisions of the Schengen acquis in which some Member States do not take part establish a form of cooperation with those Member States and, if so, under what conditions?

2.3.3 ECtHR Judgments on Borders and Visas

- ECtHR Ap.no. 55352/12 Aden Ahmed v. MAL [23 July 2013]
- * violation of **ECHR** [Art. 3 + 5]
- The case concerns a migrant who had entered Malta in an irregular manner by boat. The ECtHR found a violation of art. 5(1), mainly due to the failure of the Maltese authorities to pursue deportation or to do so with due diligence, and of art. 5(4) due to absence of an effective and speedy domestic remedy to challenge the lawfulness of their detention.

 Also, the ECtHR requested the Maltese authorities (Art. 46) to establish a mechanism allowing a

determination of the lawfulness of immigration detention within a reasonable time-limit. In this case the Court for the first time found Malta in violation of art. 3 because of the immigration detention conditions. Those conditions in which the applicant had been living for 14½ months were,

taken as a whole, amounted to degrading treatment.

- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 53608/11 **B.M. v. GR** [19 Dec. 2013]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 3 + 13]
- * The applicant was an Iranian journalist who alleged to have been arrested and tortured due to his involvement in protests against the government. After his arrival in Greece a decision had been taken to return him to Turkey, and he had been held in custody in a police station and in various detention centres. His application for asylum was first not registered by the Greek authorities, and later they dismissed the application.

The application mainly concerned the conditions of detention, in particular overcrowding, unhygienic conditions, lack of external contact, and lack of access to telephone, translators and any kind of information. Referring to its previous case law, the ECtHR held these conditions to be in violation of Art. 3.

As there had been no effective domestic remedy against that situation, Art. 13 in combination with art. 3 had also been violated.

- ECtHR Ap.no. 27765/09 Hirsi v. IT [21 Feb. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 3 + 13]
- * The Court concluded that the decision of the Italian authorities to send TCNs who were intercepted outside the territorial waters of Italy back to Libya, had exposed them to the risk of illtreatment there, as well as to the risk of illtreatment if they were sent back to their countries of origin (Somalia and Eritrea). For the first time the Court applied Article 4 of Protocol no. 4 (prohibition of collective expulsion) in the circumstance of aliens who were not physically present on the territory of the State, but in the high seas. Italy was also held responsible for exposing the aliens to a treatment in violation with Article 3 ECHR, as it transferred them to Libya 'in full knowledge of the facts' and circumstances in Libya. The Court also concluded that they had had no effective remedy in Italy against the alleged violations (Art. 13).
- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 11463/09 **Samaras v. GR** [28 Feb. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 3]
- * The conditions of detention of the applicants one Somali and twelve Greek nationals at Ioannina prison were held to constitute degrading treatment in violation of ECHR art. 3.

2.3.4 National Judgments on Borders and Visas

- **Germany:** BVerwG 1 C 1.10 [11 Jan. 2011]
- * interpretation of *Reg. 810/2009 on Visa Code* interpretation of *ECHR* Art. 8

- appeal from Berlin-Brandenburg Higher Adminstrative Court, 18 Dec. 2009
- http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Germany/BVerwG1C110.pdf
- * A Moroccan national seeks a Schengen visa to visit her two minor children living with her father in Germany. The visa is denied, primarily based on the assumption that there is no specific credible prospect of return. Although the court states that the child's personal contact and continuity of emotional bonds with both parents serve as a general rule toward developing the child's personality, the court does not find the denial of the visa disproportionate because the maintenance of family ties can be realised through other means and visits outside Germany.

Irregular Migration

3.1 Irregular Migration: Adopted Measures

case law sorted in chronological order

Directive 2001/51

Carrier sanctions

Obligation of carriers to return TCNs when entry is refused

* OJ 2001 L 187/45

impl. date 11-02-2003

UK opt in

Decision 267/2005

Early Warning System

Establishing a secure web-based Information and Coordination Network for MS' Migration Management Services

* OJ 2005 L 83/48

UK opt in

Directive 2009/52

Employers Sanctions

Minimum standards on sanctions and measures against employers of illegally staying TCNs

* OJ 2009 L 168/24

impl. date 20-07-2011

Directive 2003/110

Expulsion by Air

Assistance with transit for expulsion by air

* OJ 2003 L 321/26

Decision 191/2004

Expulsion Costs

On the compensation of the financial imbalances resulting from the mutual recognition of decisions on the expulsion of TCNs

* OJ 2004 L 60/55

UK opt in

Directive 2001/40

Expulsion Decisions

Mutual recognition of expulsion decisions of TCNs

* OJ 2001 L 149/34

impl. date 2-10-2002

UK opt in

CJEU pending cases

☞ CJEU C-456/14 Orrego Arias

pending

Art. 3(1)(a)

See further: § 3.3

Decision 573/2004

Expulsion Joint Flights

On the organisation of joint flights for removals from the territory of two or more MSs, of TCNs

* OJ 2004 L 261/28

UK opt in

Conclusion

Expulsion via Land

Transit via land for expulsion

* adopted 22 Dec. 2003 by Council

UK opt in

Directive & Framework Decision 2002/90

Illegal Entry Facilitation of unauthorised entry, transit and residence

* OJ 2002 L 328

UK opt in

Regulation 377/2004

Immigration Liaison Officers

On the creation of an immigration liaison officers network

* OJ 2004 L 64/1

UK opt in

amd by Reg 493/2011 (OJ 2011 L 141/13)

Directive 2008/115 Return Directive

On common standards and procedures in MSs for returning illegally staying TCNs

OJ 2008 L 348/98

impl. date 24-12-2010

CJEU judgments **New ☞** CJEU C-554/13 **Zh. & O.**

11 June 2015 Art. 7(4)

New © CJEU C-38/14 Zaizoune ☞ CJEU C-562/13 Abdida

23 Apr. 2015

Art. 4(2) + 6(1)

18 Dec. 2014

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@	CJEU C-249/13 Boudjlida	11 Dec.	2014	
	CJEU C-166/13 Mukarubega	5 Nov.	2014	Art. $3 + 7$
	CJEU C-473/13 & C-514/13 <i>Bero & Bouzalmate</i>	17 July		Art. 16(1)
	CJEU C-474/13 <i>Pham</i>	17 July		Art. 16(1)
~	CJEU C-189/13 <i>Da Silva</i>	3 July		inadmissable
~	CJEU C-146/14 (PPU) <i>Mahdi</i>	5 June		Art. 15
	CJEU C-297/12 Filev & Osmani	19 Sep.	2013	Art. $2(2)(b) + 11$
~	CJEU C-383/13 (PPU) G. & R.	10 Sep.		Art. $15(2) + 6$
~	CJEU C-534/11 Arslan	30 May	2013	Art. 2(1)
@	CJEU C-522/11 <i>Mbaye</i>	21 Mar.	2013	Art. $2(2)(b) + 7(4)$
~	CJEU C-51/12 Zhu	16 Feb.	2013	Art. $2-8$, $15 + 16$ - deleted
®	CJEU C-430/11 <i>Sagor</i>	6 Dec.	2012	Art. 2, 15 + 16
@	CJEU C-73/12 <i>Ettaghi</i>	4 July	2012	Art. $2-8$, $15 + 16$ - deleted
@	CJEU C-329/11 Achughbabian	6 Dec.	2011	
**	CJEU C-61/11 (PPU) <i>El Dridi</i>	28 Apr.	2011	Art. 15 + 16
P	CJEU C-357/09 (PPU) Kadzoev	30 Nov.	2009	Art. $15(4)$, $(5) + (6)$
	CJEU pending cases			
New 🖝	CJEU C-161/15 Bensada Benallal	pending		
P	CJEU C-290/14 <i>Celaj</i>	pending		
	CJEU C-390/14 <i>Mehrabipari</i>	pending		Art. $15 + 16$
New 🖝	CJEU C-47/15 Affum	pending		
	National Judgments			
*	Ger: BVerwG 1 C 19.11	10 July	2012	
	See further: § 3.3			

Decision 575/2007

Return Programme

Establishing the European Return Fund as part of the General Programme Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows

* OJ 2007 L 144 UK opt in

Directive 2011/36

Trafficking Persons

On preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims

* OJ 2011 L 101/1 (Mar. 2011)

impl. date 6-04-2013

UK opt in

* Replacing Framework Decision 2002/629 (OJ 2002 L 203/1)

Directive 2004/81

Trafficking Victims

Residence permits for TCNs who are victims of trafficking

* OJ 2004 L 261/19

CJEU judgments

CJEU C-266/08 Comm. v. Spain

14 May 2009

See further: § 3.3

ECHR

Detention - Collective Expulsion

European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and its Protocols

Art. 5 Detention

Prot. 4 Art. 4 Collective Expulsion

*	ETS 005 (4-11-50)	impl. date 1950	
	ECtHR Judgments		
9	ECtHR Ap.no. 55352/12 Aden Ahmed	23 July 2013	Art. $3 + 5$
•	ECtHR Ap.no. 53709/11 A.F.	13 June 2013	Art. 5
9	ECtHR Ap.no. 13058/11 Abdelhakim	23 Oct. 2012	Art. 5
P	ECtHR Ap.no. 13457/11 <i>Ali Said</i>	23 Oct. 2012	Art. 5
9	ECtHR Ap.no. 50520/09 Ahmade	25 Sep. 2012	Art. 5
P	ECtHR Ap.no. 14902/10 Mahmundi	31 July 2012	Art. 5
P	ECtHR Ap.no. 27765/09 <i>Hirsi</i>	21 Feb. 2012	Prot. 4 Art. 4
P	ECtHR Ap.no. 10816/10 Lokpo & Touré	20 Sep. 2011	Art. 5
	See further: § 3.3		

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* nothing to report

3.3 Irregular Migration: Jurisprudence

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3.3.1 CJEU Judgments on Irregular Migration

- CJEU C-562/13 Abdida [18 Dec. 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 Return Directive [Art. 5+13]
- * Although the Belgium court had asked a preliminary ruling on the interpretation of the Qualification Dir., the CJEU re-interpreted the question of an issue of Art. 5 and 13 of the Returns Directive.

These articles are to be interpreted as precluding national legislation which: (1) does not endow with suspensive effect an appeal against a decision ordering a third country national suffering from a serious illness to leave the territory of a Member State, where the enforcement of that decision may expose that third country national to a serious risk of grave and irreversible deterioration in his state of health, and (2) does not make provision, in so far as possible, for the basic needs of such a third country national to be met, in order to ensure that that person may in fact avail himself of emergency health care and essential treatment of illness during the period in which that Member State is required to postpone removal of the third country national following the lodging of the appeal.

- CJEU C-329/11 Achughbabian [6 Dec. 2011]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 Return Directive
- * The directive precludes national legislation permitting the imprisonment of an illegally staying third-country national who has not (yet) been subject to the coercive measures provided for in the directive and has not, if detained with a view to be returned, reached the expiry of the maximum duration of that detention. The directive does not preclude penal sanctions being imposed after full application of the return procedure established by that directive.
- CJEU C-534/11 Arslan [30 May 2013]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 Return Directive [Art. 2(1)]
- * The Return DIr. does not apply during the period from the making of the (asylum) application to the adoption of the decision at first instance on that application or, as the case may be, until the outcome of any action brought against that decision is known.
- CJEU C-473/13 & C-514/13 Bero & Bouzalmate [17 July 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 16(1)]
- * As a rule, a MS is required to detain illegally staying TCNs for the purpose of removal in a specialised detention facility of that State even if the MS has a federal structure and the federated state competent to decide upon and carry out such detention under national law does not have such a detention facility.
- **CJEU C-249/13 Boudjlida** [11 Dec. 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 Return Directive
- * The right to be heard in all proceedings (in particular, Art 6), must be interpreted as extending to the right of an illegally staying third-country national to express, before the adoption of a return decision concerning him, his point of view on the legality of his stay, on the possible application of Art 5 and 6(2) to (5) and on the detailed arrangements for his return.
- **CJEU C-266/08** *Comm. v. Spain* [14 May 2009]
- * non-transp. of Dir. 2004/81 Trafficking Victims
- * On the status of victims of trafficking and smuggling
- CJEU C-189/13 *Da Silva* [3 July 2014] (inadmissable)
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [inadmissable]
- * On the permissibility of national legislation imposing a custodial sentence for the offence of illegal entry prior to the institution of deportation proceedings.
- **☞** CJEU C-61/11 (PPU) *El Dridi* [28 Apr. 2011]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 15 + 16]
- * The Return Directive precludes that a Member State has legislation which provides for a sentence of imprisonment to be imposed on an illegally staying TCN on the sole ground that he remains, without valid grounds, on the territory of that State, contrary to an order to leave that territory within a given period.
- **CJEU C-73/12** *Ettaghi* [4 July 2012] (deleted)
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 2-8, 15 + 16 deleted]

- CJEU C-297/12 Filev & Osmani [19 Sep. 2013]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 2(2)(b) + 11]
- * Directive must be interpreted as precluding a MS from providing that an expulsion or removal order which predates by five years or more the period between the date on which that directive should have been implemented and the date on which it was implemented, may subsequently be used as a basis for criminal proceedings, where that order was based on a criminal law sanction (within the meaning of Article 2(2)(b)) and where that MS exercised the discretion provided for under that provision.
- **☞** CJEU C-383/13 (PPU) **G. & R.** [10 Sep. 2013]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 15(2) + 6]
- * If the extension of a detention measure has been decided in an administrative procedure in breach of the right to be heard, the national court responsible for assessing the lawfulness of that extension decision may order the lifting of the detention measure only if it considers, in the light of all of the factual and legal circumstances of each case, that the infringement at issue actually deprived the party relying thereon of the possibility of arguing his defence better, to the extent that the outcome of that administrative procedure could have been different.
- CJEU C-357/09 (PPU) *Kadzoev* [30 Nov. 2009]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 15(4), (5) + (6)]
- * The maximum duration of detention must include a period of detention completed in connection with a removal procedure commenced before the rules in the directive become applicable. Only a real prospect that removal can be carried out successfully, having regard to the periods laid down in Article 15(5) and (6), corresponds to a reasonable prospect of removal, and that that reasonable prospect does not exist where it appears unlikely that the person concerned will be admitted to a third country, having regard to those periods.
- **CJEU C-146/14 (PPU)** *Mahdi* [5 June 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 15]
- * Any decision adopted by a competent authority, on expiry of the maximum period allowed for the initial detention of a TCN, on the further course to take concerning the detention must be in the form of a written measure that includes the reasons in fact and in law for that decision. The Dir. precludes that an initial six-month period of detention may be extended solely because the third-country national concerned has no identity documents.
- **CJEU C-522/11** *Mbaye* [21 Mar. 2013]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 2(2)(b) + 7(4)]
- * The directive does not preclude that a fine because of illegal stay of a TCN in a MS is replaced by expulsion if there is a risk of absconding.
- **CJEU C-166/13** *Mukarubega* [5 Nov. 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 3 + 7]
- * A national authority is not precluded from failing to hear a TCN specifically on the subject of a return decision where, after that authority has determined that the TCN is staying illegally in the national territory on the conclusion of a procedure which fully respected that person's right to be heard, it is contemplating the adoption of such a decision in respect of that person, whether or not that return decision is the result of refusal of a residence permit.
- **CJEU C-474/13 Pham** [17 July 2014]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 Return Directive [Art. 16(1)]
- * The Dir. does not permit a MS to detain a TCN for the purpose of removal in prison accommodation together with ordinary prisoners even if the TCN consents thereto.
- **CJEU C-430/11 Sagor** [6 Dec. 2012]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 2, 15 + 16]
- * An illegal stay by a TCN in a MS:
 - (1) can be penalised by means of a fine, which may be replaced by an expulsion order;
 - (2) can not be penalised by means of a home detention order unless that order is terminated as soon as the physical transportation of the TCN out of that MS is possible.
- **©** CJEU C-38/14 **Zaizoune** [23 Apr. 2015]
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 4(2) + 6(1)]
- * Articles 6(1) and 8(1), read in conjunction with Article 4(2) and 4(3), must be interpreted as precluding legislation of a MS, which provides, in the event of TCNs illegally staying in the territory of that Member State, depending on the circumstances, for either a fine or removal, since

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the two measures are mutually exclusive.

- **☞** CJEU C-554/13 **Zh. & O.** [11 June 2015]
- interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 7(4)]
- (1) Article 7(4) must be interpreted as precluding a national practice whereby a third-country national, who is staying illegally within the territory of a Member State, is deemed to pose a risk to public policy within the meaning of that provision on the sole ground that that national is suspected, or has been criminally convicted, of an act punishable as a criminal offence under national law:
 - (2) Article 7(4) must be interpreted to the effect that, in the case of a TCN who is staying illegally within the territory of a MS and is suspected, or has been criminally convicted, of an act punishable as a criminal offence under national law, other factors, such as the nature and seriousness of that act, the time which has elapsed since it was committed and the fact that that national was in the process of leaving the territory of that MS when he was detained by the national authorities, may be relevant in the assessment of whether he poses a risk to public policy within the meaning of that provision. Any matter which relates to the reliability of the suspicion that the third-country national concerned committed the alleged criminal offence, as the case may be, is also relevant to that assessment.
 - (3) Article 7(4) must be interpreted as meaning that it is not necessary, in order to make use of the option offered by that provision to refrain from granting a period for voluntary departure when the third-country national poses a risk to public policy, to conduct a fresh examination of the matters which have already been examined in order to establish the existence of that risk. Any legislation or practice of a MS on this issue must nevertheless ensure that a case-by-case assessment is conducted of whether the refusal to grant such a period is compatible with that person's fundamental rights.
- **CJEU C-51/12 Zhu** [16 Feb. 2013] (deleted)
- interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 2-8, 15 + 16 deleted]
- Whether it is possible to substitute for the fine (for entering national territory illegally or staying there illegally) an order for immediate expulsion for a period of at least five years or a measure restricting freedom ('permanenza domiciliare').

3.3.2 CJEU pending cases on Irregular Migration

☞ CJEU C-47/15 Affum New

- interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 Return Directive
- ref. from 'Cour de Cassation ' (France)
- Does the Return Directive preclude national legislation under which a TCN who entered the territory of a MS illegally is liable to a term of imprisonment under the same conditions as those laid down by the CJEU (Achughbabian, C-329/11) in so far as concerns illegal stay, which are contingent on the person concerned not having been previously subject to the coercive measures referred to in Article 8 of the directive and the duration of that person's detention?
- - interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 Return Directive
 - ref. from 'Conseil d'Etat' (Belgium)
 - Does the general principle of EU Law upholding the rights of the defence, including the right of an individual to be heard by a national authority before any decision is taken by that authority likely adversely to affect that individual's interests such as a decision ending that individual's residence authorisation, carry in the legal system of the European Union an equivalent importance to that held by the rules of public policy in the Belgian legal system, and does the principle of equivalence require that a plea can be raised for the first time before the Conseil d'Etat hearing an appeal in cassation based on breach of the general principle of EU law of the right to a fair hearing as is permitted in the national law for pleas based on public policy?
 - **☞** CJEU C-290/14 *Celaj*
 - interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 Return Directive
 - AG: 28 Aprl 2015
 - Does the Dir. precludes a MS's legislation which provides for the imposition of a sentence of imprisonment of up to four years on an illegally staying TCN who, having been returned to his country of origin neither as a criminal law sanction nor as a consequence of a criminal law sanction, has re-entered the territory of the State in breach of a lawful re-entry ban but has not been the subject of the coercive measures provided for by Art. 8 with a view to his swift and effective removal?

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- **☞** CJEU C-390/14 *Mehrabipari*
- * interpr. of Dir. 2008/115 **Return Directive** [Art. 15 + 16]
- * ref. from 'Eparkhiako Dikastirio Larnakas' (Greece)
- * Is it permitted that criminal proceedings are brought on the basis of national legislation against an illegally staying TCN upon whom unsuccessful coercive removal measures have been imposed and who has remained in detention for a period greater than 18 months, because he does not have a passport in his possession and does not cooperate with the authorities for the purpose of issue of such a passport through his embassy, pleading fear that he will be persecuted by the Iranian authorities?
- CJEU C-456/14 Orrego Arias
- * interpr. of Dir. 2001/40 Expulsion Decisions [Art. 3(1)(a)]
- * What is the exact meaning of the term 'offence punishable by a penalty involving deprivation of liberty of at least one year', set out in Art 3(1)(a). Does it refer to the penalty prescribed in abstracto for the offence in question or, on the contrary, to the actual term of imprisonment imposed on the convicted person and, in consequence, whether or not the decision of a MS to expel a TCN sentenced to imprisonment of eight months would be recognised by other Member States.

3.3.3 ECtHR Judgments on Irregular Migration

- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 53709/11 *A.F. v. GR* [13 June 2013]
- * violation of **ECHR** [Art. 5]
- * An Iranian entering Greece from Turkey had initially not been registered as an asylum seeker by the Greek authorities, which ordered his return to Turkey. However, the Turkish authorities refused to readmit him into Turkey, and he was then detained by the Greek police.
 - Against the background of reports from Greek and international organisations, having visited the relevant police detention facilities either during the applicant's detention or shortly after his release including the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture, the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture, the German NGO ProAsyl and the Greek National Human Rights Commission the ECtHR found a violation of art. 3 due to the serious lack of space available to the applicant, also taking the duration of his detention into account. It was thus unnecessary for the Court to examine the applicant's other allegations concerning the detention conditions (art 5 ECHR) which the Government disputed. Yet, the Court noted that the Government's statements in this regard were not in accordance with the findings of the abovementioned organisations.
- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 13058/11 *Abdelhakim v. HU* [23 Oct. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 5]
- * This case concerns unlawful detention, without effective judicial review, of an asylum seeker during the examination of his asylum application. The applicant was a Palestinian who had been stopped at the Hungarian border control for using a forged passport.
- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 50520/09 *Ahmade v. GR* [25 Sep. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 5]
- * The conditions of detention of the applicant Afghan asylum seeker in two police stations in Athens were found to constitute degrading treatment in breach of ECHR art. 3 Since Greek law did not allow the courts to examine the conditions of detention in centres for irregular immigrants, the applicant did not have an effective remedy in that regard, in violation of ECHR art. 13 taken together with art. 3.
 - The Court found an additional violation of ECHR art. 13 taken together with art. 3, resulting from the structural deficiencies of the Greek asylum system, as evidenced by the period during which the applicant had been awaiting the outcome of his appeal against the refusal of asylum, and the risk that he might be deported before his asylum appeal had been examined.
 - ECHR art. 5 para. 4 was violated due to the lack of judicial competence to review the lawfulness of the deportation constituting the legal basis of detention.
- **ECtHR** Ap.no. 13457/11 *Ali Said v. HU* [23 Oct. 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 5]
- * This case concerns unlawful detention, without effective judicial review, of an asylum seeker during the examination of his asylum application. The applicants were Iraqi nationals who illegally entered Hungary, applied for asylum and then travelled illegally to the Netherlands from where they were transferred back to Hungary under the Dublin Regulation.

- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 27765/09 *Hirsi v. IT* [21 Feb. 2012]
- * violation of **ECHR** [Prot. 4 Art. 4]
- * The Court concluded that the decision of the Italian authorities to send TCNs who were intercepted outside the territorial waters of Italy back to Libya, had exposed them to the risk of illtreatment there, as well as to the risk of illtreatment if they were sent back to their countries of origin (Somalia and Eritrea). They also had been subjected to collective expulsion prohibited by Art. 4 of Protocol No. 4. The Court also concluded that they had had no effective remedy in Italy against the alleged violations.
- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 10816/10 *Lokpo & Touré v. HU* [20 Sep. 2011]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 5]
- * The applicants entered Hungary illegally. After their arrest and during subsequent detention they applied for asylum. They were kept however in detention.

 The Court ruled that Article 5 § 1 (right to liberty and security) was violated, stating that the absence of elaborate reasoning for an applicant's deprivation of liberty renders that measure incompatible with the requirement of lawfulness.
- **E**CtHR Ap.no. 14902/10 *Mahmundi v. GR* [31 July 2012]
- * violation of ECHR [Art. 5]
- * The conditions of detention of the applicants Afghan nationals, subsequently seeking asylum in Norway, who had been detained in the Pagani detention centre upon being rescued from a sinking boat by the maritime police were held to be in violation of ECHR art. 3. In the specific circumstances of this case the treatment during 18 days of detention was considered not only degrading, but also inhuman, mainly due to the fact that the applicants' children had also been detained, some of them separated from their parents. In addition, a female applicant had been in the final stages of pregnancy and had received insufficient medical assistance and no information about the place of her giving birth and what would happen to her and her child.

ECHR art. 13, taken together with art. 3, had been violated by the impossibility for the applicants to take any action before the courts to complain of their conditions of detention.

ECHR art. 5 para. 4 was violated due to the lack of judicial competence to review the lawfulness of the deportation that constitutes the legal basis for detention.

3.3.4 National Judgments on Irregular Migration

- **Germany:** BVerwG 1 C 19.11 [10 July 2012]
- * interpretation of Dir. 2008/115: Return Directive
- * appeal from North Rhine-Westphalia Higher Adminstrative Court, 5 Sep. 2008
- * http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Germany/BVerwG1C1911.pdf
- * Foreigners are entitled to have the immigration authority, simultaneously with the issuance of an expulsion, set a time limit for the effects of the expulsion as mentioned in Section 11(1) first and second sentence of the German Residence Act.

4 External Treaties

4.1 External Treaties: Association Agreements

case law sorted in chronological order

EC-Turkey Association Agreement

* into force 23 Dec. 1963

National Judgments

NL: Centrale Raad van Beroep, LJN: BR4959
 See further: § 4.4

EC-Turkey Association Agreement Additional Protocol

* into force 1 Jan. 1973

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C -138/13 Dogan (Naime)	10 July	2014	Art. 41(1)
C-221/11 Demirkan	24 Sep.	2013	Art. 41(1)
© C-186/10 <i>Tural Oguz</i>	21 July	2011	Art. 41(1)
© C-228/06 Soysal	19 Feb.	2009	Art. 41(1)
C -16/05 Tum & Dari	20 Sep.	2007	Art. 41(1)

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• C-37/98 Savas	11 May 2000	Art. 41(1)
CJEU pending cases	1.	A
New C-1/15 EC v. Austria	pending	Art. 41(1)
National Judgments	1434 2012	A
• NL: Raad van State 201102803/1/V3	14 Mar. 2012	Art. 41
See further: § 4.4		
EC-Turkey Association Agreement Decision 1/80		
* Dec. 1/80 of 19 Sept. 1980 on the Development of	the Association	
CJEU judgments		
C -91/13 Essent	11 Sep. 2014	Art. 13
C-225/12 Demir	7 Nov. 2013	Art. 13
~ C-268/11 Gühlbahce	8 Nov. 2012	Art. $6(1) + 10$
~ C-451/11 Dülger	19 July 2012	Art. 7
c C-7/10 & C-9/10 Kahveci & Inan	29 Mar. 2012	Art. 7
C -436/09 Belkiran	13 Jan. 2012	deleted
C-371/08 Ziebell or Örnek	8 Dec. 2011	Art. 14(1)
C -256/11 Dereci et al.	15 Nov. 2011	Art. 13
• C-187/10 <i>Unal</i>	29 Sep. 2011	Art. 6(1)
C-484/07 Pehlivan	16 June 2011	Art. 7
C-303/08 Metin Bozkurt	22 Dec. 2010	Art. 7 + 14(1)
• C-300/09 & C-301/09 Toprak/Oguz	9 Dec. 2010	Art. 13
C-92/07 Comm. v. Netherlands	29 Apr. 2010	Art. 10(1) + 13
© C-14/09 Genc	4 Feb. 2010	Art. 6(1)
© C-462/08 Bekleyen	21 Jan. 2010	Art. 7(2)
 C-242/06 Sahin C-337/07 Altun 	17 Sep. 2009 18 Dec. 2008	Art. 13 Art. 7
• C-453/07 Er	25 Sep. 2008	Art. 7
• C-294/06 Payir	24 Jan. 2008	Art. 6(1)
• C-349/06 Polat	4 Oct. 2007	Art. 7 + 14
• C-325/05 Derin	18 July 2007	Art. 6, 7 and 14
☞ C-4/05 G üzeli	26 Oct. 2006	Art. 10(1)
© C-502/04 Torun	16 Feb. 2006	Art. 7
☞ C-230/03 Sedef	10 Jan. 2006	Art. 6
C -373/03 Aydinli	7 July 2005	Art. 6 + 7
☞ C-374/03 G ürol	7 July 2005	Art. 9
☞ C-383/03 Dogan (Ergül)	7 July 2005	Art. $6(1) + (2)$
C -136/03 Dörr & Unal	2 June 2005	Art. $6(1) + 14(1)$
~ C-467/02 Cetinkaya	11 Nov. 2004	Art. $7 + 14(1)$
C -275/02 Ayaz	30 Sep. 2004	Art. 7
 C-465/01 Comm. v. Austria 	16 Sep. 2004	
C -317/01 & C-369/01 Abatay/Sahin	21 Oct. 2003	Art. $13 + 41(1)$
~ C-171/01 Birlikte	8 May 2003	Art. 10(1)
C -188/00 Kurz (Yuze)	19 Nov. 2002	Art. $6(1) + 7$
☞ C-89/00 Bicakci	19 Sep. 2000	
☞ C-65/98 <i>Eyüp</i>	22 June 2000	Art. 7
• C-329/97 <i>Ergat</i>	16 Mar. 2000	Art. 7
• C-340/97 <i>Nazli</i>	10 Feb. 2000	Art. $6(1) + 14(1)$
C -1/97 Birden	26 Nov. 1998	Art. 6(1)
• C-210/97 Akman	19 Nov. 1998	Art. 7
C-36/96 Günaydin	30 Sep. 1997	Art. 6(1)
• C-98/96 Ertanir	30 Sep. 1997	Art. $6(1) + 6(3)$
© C-285/95 Kol	5 June 1997	Art. 6(1)
C 251/05 Kadiman	29 May 1997	Art. 6(1)
© C-351/95 Kadiman © C 171/95 Tatik	17 Apr. 1997	Art. 7
 C-171/95 Tetik C-434/93 Ahmet Bozkurt 	23 Jan. 1997 6 June 1995	Art. 6(1)
• C-434/93 Anmet Bozkurt • C-355/93 Eroglu	5 Oct. 1994	Art. 6(1)
• C-355/93 Erogiu • C-237/91 Kus	16 Dec. 1992	Art. 6(1) Art. 6(1) + 6(3)
• C-25//91 Kus • C-192/89 Sevince	20 Sep. 1990	Art. $6(1) + 6(3)$ Art. $6(1) + 13$
• C-192/89 Sevince • C-12/86 Demirel	30 Sep. 1987	Art. 7 + 12
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CJEU pending cases

c C-176/14 *Van Hauthem* pending Art. 6 + 7

National Judgments

• Ger: BVerwG 1C4.14 6 Nov. 2014 Art. 13

See further: § 4.4

EC-Turkey Association Agreement Decision 3/80

* Dec. 3/80 of 19 Sept. 1980 on Social Security

CJEU judgments

☞ C-485/07 *Akdas* 26 May 2011 Art. 6(1) **☞** C-171/13 *Demirci a.o.* Art. 6(1)

New C-171/13 **Demirci a.o.** See further: § 4.4

4.2 External Treaties: Readmission

Albania

* OJ 2005 L 124 (into force 1 May 2006 (TCN: May 2008))

UK opt in

Armenia

* OJ 2013 L 289/13 (into force 1 Jan. 2014)

Azerbaijan

* COM (2013) 745 (into force 1 Sept. 2014)

Belarus

* negotiation mandate approved by Council, Feb. 2011

Cape Verde

* OJ 2013 L 281 (into force 1 Dec. 2014)

Georgia

* OJ 2011 L 52/47 (into force 1 March 2011)

Hong Kong

* OJ 2004 L 17/23 (into force 1 Mar. 2004)

UK opt in

Macao

* OJ 2004 L 143/97 (into force 1 June 2004)

UK opt in

Morocco, Algeria, Turkey and China

* Com (2012) 239 (into force 1 Oct. 2014)

Pakistan

* OJ 2010 L 287/52 (into force 1 Dec. 2010)

Russia

* OJ 2007 L 129 (into force 1 June 2007 (TCN: June 2010))

UK opt in

Sri Lanka

* OJ 2005 L 124/43 (into force 1 May 2005)

UK opt in

Ukraine, Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia, Macedonia and Moldova

* OJ 2007 L 332 and 334 (into force 1 Jan. 2008 (TCN: Jan. 2010))

UK opt in

4.3 External Treaties: Other

case law sorted in alphabetical order

Armenia

* OJ 2013 L 289 (into force 1 Jan. 2014)

Azerbaijan

* OJ 2013 L 320/7 (into force 1 Sep. 2014)

Brazil: short-stay visa waiver for holders of diplomatic or official passports

* OJ 2011 L 66/1 (into force 24 Feb. 2011)

Brazil: short-stay visa waiver for holders of ordinary passports

* OJ 2012 L 255/3 (into force 1 Oct. 2012)

Cape Verde: Visa facilitation agreement

* OJ 2013 L 282/3 (into force 1 Dec. 2014)

China: Approved Destination Status treaty

* OJ 2004 L 83/12 (into force 1 May 2004)

Denmark: Dublin II treaty

* OJ 2006 L 66/38 (into force 1 April 2006)

Georgia: Visa facilitation agreement

* OJ 2010 L 308/1 (into force 1 March 2011)

Mauritius, Antigua/Barbuda, Barbados, Seychelles, St. Kitts and Nevis and Bahamas: Visa abolition treaties agreed

* proposals to sign and conclude treaties, (COM (2009) 48, 49, 50, 52, 53 and 55), 12 Feb. 2009; treaties signed and provisionally into force, May 2009; concluded Nov. 2009

Morocco

* proposals to negotiate - approved by council Dec. 2013

Norway and Iceland: Dublin Convention

- * OJ 1999 L 176/36 (into force 1 March 2001)
- * Protocol into force 1 May 2006

New Peru and Colombia

* Initial of bilateral visa waiver agreement

Russia, Ukraine, Moldova

- * Council mandate to renegotiate visa facilitation treaties, April 2011
- * proposals to sign and conclude new treaty with Ukraine, July 2012; new treaty with Moldova signed, June 2012 in force 1 July 2013

Russia: Visa facilitation agreement

* OJ 2007 L 129 (into force 1 June 2007)

New St Lucia: Dominica: Grenada: St Vincent: Vanuatu:

St Lucia; Dominica; Grenada; St Vincent; Vanuatu; Samoa; Trinidad & Tobago: Short-stay Visa Waiver Agreement

* treaties signed and provisionally into force on 28 May 2015

Switzerland: Free Movement of Persons

* concl. 28 Feb. 2002 (OJ 2002 L 114) (into force 1 June 2002)

Switzerland: Implementation of Schengen, Dublin

* OJ 2008 L 83/37 (applied from Dec. 2008)

Ukraine, Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia, Macedonia, Albania and Moldova: Visa facilitation agreements

* OJ 2007 L 332 and 334 (into force 1 Jan. 2008)

4.4 External Treaties: Jurisprudence

4.4.1 CJEU Judgments on EEC-Turkey Association Agreement

- **C**-317/01 & C-369/01 **Abatay/Sahin** [21 Oct. 2003]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 13 + 41(1)]
- * Direct effect and scope standstill obligation
- **C**-434/93 **Ahmet Bozkurt** [6 June 1995]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * Belonging to labour market
- **C**-485/07 **Akdas** [26 May 2011]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 3/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * Supplements to social security can not be withdrawn solely on the ground that the beneficiary has moved out of the Member State.
- **C**-210/97 **Akman** [19 Nov. 1998]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * Turkish worker has left labour market
- **C**-337/07 *Altun* [18 Dec. 2008]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * On the rights of family members of an unemployed Turkish worker or fraud by a Turkish worker

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- **C**-275/02 **Ayaz** [30 Sep. 2004]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * A stepchild is a family member
- **C**-373/03 **Aydinli** [7 July 2005]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6 + 7]
- * A long detention is no justification for loss of residence permit
- **C**-462/08 **Bekleyen** [21 Jan. 2010]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7(2)]
- * The child of a Turkish worker has free access to labour and an independent right to stay in Germany, if this child is graduated in Germany and its parents have worked at least three years in Germany.
- **C**-436/09 **Belkiran** [13 Jan. 2012] (deleted)
- * interpr. of Dec. 1/80 [deleted]
- * Case withdrawn because of judgment C-371/08 (Ziebell). Art. 14(1) of Dec. 1/80 does not have the same scope as art. 28(3)(a) of the Directive on Free Movement.
- **C**-89/00 **Bicakci** [19 Sep. 2000]
- * interpr. of Dec. 1/80
- * Art 14 does not refer to a preventive expulsion measure
- **C**-1/97 **Birden** [26 Nov. 1998]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * In so far as he has available a job with the same employer, a Turkish national in that situation is entitled to demand the renewal of his residence permit in the host MS, even if, pursuant to the legislation of that MS, the activity pursued by him was restricted to a limited group of persons, was intended to facilitate their integration into working life and was financed by public funds.
- **c** C-171/01 **Birlikte** [8 May 2003]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 10(1)]
- * Art 10 precludes the application of national legislation which excludes Turkish workers duly registered as belonging to the labour force of the host MS from eligibility for election to organisations such as trade unions.
- **C**-467/02 *Cetinkaya* [11 Nov. 2004]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7 + 14(1)]
- * The meaning of a "family member" is analogous to its meaning in the Free Movement Regulation
- **C**-465/01 *Comm. v. Austria* [16 Sep. 2004]
- * interpr. of Dec. 1/80
- **C**-92/07 *Comm. v. Netherlands* [29 Apr. 2010]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 10(1) + 13]
- * The obligation to pay charges in order to obtain or extend a residence permit, which are disproportionate compared to charges paid by citizens of the Union is in breach with the standstill clauses of Articles 10(1) and 13 of Decision No 1/80 of the Association.
- **C**-225/12 **Demir** [7 Nov. 2013]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 13]
- * Judgment due: 7 Nov. 2013
- * Holding a temporary residence permit, which is valid only pending a final decision on the right of residence, does not fall within the meaning of 'legally resident'.
- **C**-171/13 **Demirci** a.o.
- * interpr. of **Dec. 3/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * Art. 6(1) must be interpreted as meaning that nationals of a MS who have been duly registered as belonging to the labour force of that MS as Turkish workers cannot, on the ground that they have retained Turkish nationality, rely on Article 6 of Dec. 3/80 to object to a residence requirement provided for by the legislation of that MS in order to receive a special non-contributory benefit within the meaning of Article 4(2) of Reg. 1408/71 on social security.
- **C**-12/86 **Demirel** [30 Sep. 1987]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7 + 12]
- * No right to family reunification.
- **C**-221/11 **Demirkan** [24 Sep. 2013]

- * interpr. of **Protocol** [Art. 41(1)]
- * The freedom to 'provide services' does not encompass the freedom to 'receive' services in other EU Member States.
- **C**-256/11 **Dereci et al.** [15 Nov. 2011]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 13]
- * Right of residence of nationals of third countries who are family members of Union citizens Refusal based on the citizen's failure to exercise the right to freedom of movement Possible difference in treatment compared with EU citizens who have exercised their right to freedom of movement EEC-Turkey Association Agreement Article 13 of Decision No 1/80 of the Association Council Article 41 of the Additional Protocol 'Standstill' clauses.
- **C**-325/05 **Derin** [18 July 2007]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6, 7 and 14]
- * There are two different reasons for loss of rights: (a) a serious threat (Art 14(1) of Dec 1/80), or (b) if he leaves the territory of the MS concerned for a significant length of time without legitimate reason.
- **C**-383/03 **Dogan (Ergül)** [7 July 2005]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1) + (2)]
- * Return to labour market: no loss due to detention
- **C**-138/13 **Dogan (Naime)** [10 July 2014]
- * interpr. of **Protocol** [Art. 41(1)]
- * The language requirement abroad is not in compliance with the standstill clauses of the Association Agreement. Although the question was also raised whether this requirement is in compliance with the Family Reunification Dir., the Court did not answer that question.
- **C**-136/03 **Dörr & Unal** [2 June 2005]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1) + 14(1)]
- * The procedural guarantees set out in the Dir on Free Movement also apply to Turkish workers.
- **C**-451/11 **Dülger** [19 July 2012]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * Art. 7 is also applicable to family members of Turkish nationals who can rely on the Regulation, who don't have the Turkish nationality themselves, but instead a nationality from a third country.
- C-386/95 *Eker* [29 May 1997]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * About the meaning of "same employer".
- **C**-453/07 **E**r [25 Sep. 2008]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * On the consequences of having no paid employment.
- **C**-329/97 **Ergat** [16 Mar. 2000]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * No loss of residence right in case of application for renewal residence permit after expiration date.
- **C**-355/93 **Eroglu** [5 Oct. 1994]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * On the meaning of "same employer".
- **C**-98/96 **Ertanir** [30 Sep. 1997]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1) + 6(3)]
- * On interpretation of Art 45 TFEU
- **C**-91/13 **Essent** [11 Sep. 2014]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 13]
- * The posting by a German company of Turkish workers in the Netherlands to work in the Netherlands is not affected by the standstill-clauses. However, this situation falls within the scope of art. 56 and 57 TFEU precluding such making available is subject to the condition that those workers have been issued with work permits.
- **©** C-65/98 **Eyüp** [22 June 2000]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * On the obligation to co-habit as a family.

- **C**-14/09 **Genc** [4 Feb. 2010]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * On the determining criteria of the concept worker and the applicability of these criteria on both EU and Turkish workers.
- **C**-268/11 **Gühlbahce** [8 Nov. 2012]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1) + 10]
- * A MS cannot withdraw the residence permit of a Turkish employee with retroactive effect.
- **C**-36/96 *Günaydin* [30 Sep. 1997]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * On interpretation of Art 45 TFEU
- **C**-374/03 **Gürol** [7 July 2005]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 9]
- * On the right to an education grant for study in Turkey
- **C**-4/05 **Güzeli** [26 Oct. 2006]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 10(1)]
- * The rights of the Ass. Agr. apply only after one year with same employer.
- **C**-351/95 *Kadiman* [17 Apr. 1997]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * On the calculation of the period of cohabitation as a family
- **C**-7/10 & C-9/10 *Kahveci & Inan* [29 Mar. 2012]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * The members of the family of a Turkish worker duly registered as belonging to the labour force of a Member State can still invoke that provision once that worker has acquired the nationality of the host Member State while retaining his Turkish nationality.
- **C**-285/95 **Kol** [5 June 1997]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * On the consequences of conviction for fraud
- **C**-188/00 *Kurz (Yuze)* [19 Nov. 2002]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1) + 7]
- * On the rights following an unjustified expulsion measure
- **C**-237/91 **Kus** [16 Dec. 1992]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1) + 6(3)]
- * On stable position on the labour market
- **C**-303/08 *Metin Bozkurt* [22 Dec. 2010]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7 + 14(1)]
- * Art. 7 means that a Turkish national who enjoys certain rights, does not lose those rights on account of his divorce, which took place after those rights were acquired.

By contrast, Art. 14(1) does not preclude a measure ordering the expulsion of a Turkish national who has been convicted of criminal offences, provided that his personal conduct constitutes a present, genuine and sufficiently serious threat to a fundamental interest of society. It is for the competent national court to assess whether that is the case in the main proceedings.

- **C**-340/97 *Nazli* [10 Feb. 2000]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1) + 14(1)]
- * On the effects of detention on residence rights
- **C**-294/06 **Payir** [24 Jan. 2008]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * Residence rights do not depend on the reason for admission
- **C**-484/07 **Pehlivan** [16 June 2011]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * Family member marries in first 3 years but continues to live with Turkish worker. Art. 7 precludes legislation under which a family member properly authorised to join a Turkish migrant worker who is already duly registered as belonging to the labour force of that State loses the enjoyment of the rights based on family reunification under that provision for the reason only that, having attained majority, he or she gets married, even where he or she continues to live with that worker during the

first three years of his or her residence in the host Member State.

- **C**-349/06 **Polat** [4 Oct. 2007]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7 + 14]
- * Multiple convictions for small crimes do not lead to expulsion
- **C**-242/06 **Sahin** [17 Sep. 2009]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 13]
- * On the fees for a residence permit
- **C**-37/98 **Savas** [11 May 2000]
- * interpr. of **Protocol** [Art. 41(1)]
- * On the scope of the standstill obligation
- **C**-230/03 **Sedef** [10 Jan. 2006]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6]
- * On the meaning of "same employer"
- **C**-192/89 **Sevince** [20 Sep. 1990]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1) + 13]
- * On the meaning of stable position and the labour market
- **C**-228/06 **Soysal** [19 Feb. 2009]
- * interpr. of **Protocol** [Art. 41(1)]
- * On the standstill obligation and secondary law
- **C**-171/95 *Tetik* [23 Jan. 1997]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * On the meaning of voluntary unemployment after 4 years
- **C**-300/09 & C-301/09 **Toprak/Oguz** [9 Dec. 2010]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 13]
- * On the reference date regarding the prohibition to introduce new restrictions for Turkish workers and their family members.
- **C**-502/04 **Torun** [16 Feb. 2006]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 7]
- * On possible reasons for loss of residence right
- **c** C-16/05 *Tum & Dari* [20 Sep. 2007]
- * interpr. of **Protocol** [Art. 41(1)]
- * On the scope of the standstill obligation
- **C**-186/10 *Tural Oguz* [21 July 2011]
- * interpr. of **Protocol** [Art. 41(1)]
- * Article 41(1) must be interpreted as meaning that it may be relied on by a Turkish national who, having leave to remain in a Member State on condition that he does not engage in any business or profession, nevertheless enters into self-employment in breach of that condition and later applies to the national authorities for further leave to remain on the basis of the business which he has meanwhile established.
- **C**-187/10 *Unal* [29 Sep. 2011]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6(1)]
- * Art. 6(1) must be interpreted as precluding the competent national authorities from withdrawing the residence permit of a Turkish worker with retroactive effect from the point in time at which there was no longer compliance with the ground on the basis of which his residence permit had been issued under national law if there is no question of fraudulent conduct on the part of that worker and that withdrawal occurs after the expiry of the one-year period of legal employment.
- **~** C-371/08 **Ziebell or Örnek** [8 Dec. 2011]
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 14(1)]
- * Decision No 1/80 does not preclude an expulsion measure based on grounds of public policy from being taken against a Turkish national whose legal status derives from the second indent of the first paragraph of Article 7 of that decision, in so far as the personal conduct of the individual concerned constitutes at present a genuine and sufficiently serious threat affecting a fundamental interest of the society of the host Member State and that measure is indispensable in order to safeguard that interest. It is for the national court to determine, in the light of all the relevant factors relating to the situation of the Turkish national concerned, whether such a measure is

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lawfully justified in the main proceedings.

4.4.2 CJEU pending cases on EEC-Turkey Association Agreement

New

- **☞** C-1/15 *EC v. Austria*
- * non-transp. of **Protocol** [Art. 41(1)]
- * Incorrect way of implementation by means of adjusting policy guidelines instead of adjusting legislation.
- C-176/14 Van Hauthem
- * interpr. of **Dec. 1/80** [Art. 6 + 7]
- * Do the terms 'any paid employment of his choice', 'any paid employment of their choice' and 'any offer of employment' also cover all positions in the public service, or do the restrictions referred to in Art. 45(4) TFEU and Art. 28(4) of the EEA Agreement or the restrictions referred to in Art. 11 of Directive 2003/109/EC apply by analogy to the application of those provisions?

4.4.3 National Judgments on External Treaties

- **Germany:** BVerwG 1C4.14 [6 Nov. 2014]
- * interpretation of *Dec. 1/80 EC-Turkey Assn. Agr.* Art. 13
- http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Germany/BVerwG1C414.pdf
- * This case is about the suspension of the exemption from the residence permit obligation for those under the age of 16. According to the case law of the CJEU a restriction in national law that is in breach with the standstill clause, may be justified by an overriding reason in the public interest (as mentioned in C-183/13, Dogan). The Bundesverwaltungsgericht rules that this suspension is justified for "it alone establishes the basic conditions for being able to pursue with sufficient efficacy the high-priority public-interest goal of controlling immigration under conditions of quantitatively and qualitatively changing migration movements".

So, effective control of migration flows is a legitimate purpose under Union law and proves to be an overriding reason in the public interest.

- Netherlands: Raad van State 201102803/1/V3 [14 Mar. 2012]
- * interpretation of EC-Turkey Assn. Agr. Add. Protocol Art. 41
- * http://cmr.jur.ru.nl/nemis/Netherlands/RaadvanState2011028031V3.pdf
- * The Standstill clauses preclude a visa requirement for Turkish nationals for a short (less than 3 months) stay. It also precludes visa requirements for self-employed Turkish national or Turkish service providers. The Dutch court refers to several CJEU judgments:

 C-92/07, Cie. v. Netherlands; C-228/06, Soysal; C-101/05, Skatteverket.
- **☞ Netherlands:** Centrale Raad van Beroep, LJN: BR4959 [16 Aug. 2011]
- * interpretation of EC-Turkey Assn. Agr.
- http://www.ljn.nl/BR4959
- * The Dutch Court decided that the recently introduced 'civic integration examinations' is in breach with the standstill clauses and therefor do not apply to Turkish nationals.

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New

Newsletter (French)

* The Université catholique de Louvain (UCL) publishes a Newsletter: EDEM, Equipe Droits Européens et migrations, French. To be found at: <www.uclouvain.be/edem.html>.

Website

* The site <europeanmigrationlaw.eu> provides legislation and case law on asylum and immigration in Europe.

Lives Lost Report of Parliamentary Assembly of COE

* On 29 Mar. 2012, the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, adopted Resolution 1872 (2012), based on the report: "Lives lost in the Mediterranean Sea: who is responsible?" This report was presented on 29 March 2012 by rapporteur Tineke Strik as a member of the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population of the Assembly.

The starting point for the resolution and of the report is that at least 1500 people are known to have

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lost their lives attempting to cross the Mediterranean in 2011. This report however focuses on one particularly harrowing case in which a small boat left Tripoli with 72 people on board and after two weeks at sea drifted back to Libya with only nine survivors. No one went to the aid of this boat, despite a distress call logged by the Italian Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre, which pinpointed the boat's position.

Inquiry started by European Ombudsman on the implementation by Frontex of its fundamental rights decisions

* Letter, 6 March 2012

Information Note on references from national courts for a preliminary ruling

* OJ 2011 C 160/01

COE Report on Rule 39

* On 9 Nov. 2010, the Committee on Migration, Refugees and Population of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, published a report on Rule 39.

Preventing Harm to refugees and migrants in extradition and expulsion cases: Rule 39 indications by the European Court of Human Rights.

Amendments to Court of Justice Statute and rules of procedure

- * OJ 2008 L 24
- * in effect 1 March 2008
- * Fast-track system for urgent JHA cases