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Application no. 20204/21
Shkullaku and Others v. Albania

Dear Sirs,

I acknowledge receipt of your correspondence of 22 April 2021 requesting the European Court of Human Rights under Rule 39 of the Rules of Court to stay the enforcement of the Specialised Anti-Corruption and Organised Crime Court of First Instance Court's interlocutory decision no. 131 of 18 April 2021 ordering the seizure of storage devices and computer/electronic data belonging to the applicants.

## Reference for further correspondence

The file has been given the above number which you must refer to in any further correspondence relating to this case.

## **Decision on interim measure**

On 21 April 2021, the Court (the duty judge) decided, in the interests of the parties and the proper conduct of the proceedings before it, to indicate to the Government of Albania, under Rule 39, that the authorities should stay the enforcement of the Specialised Anti-Corruption and Organised Crime Court of First Instance's interlocutory decision no. 131 of 18 April 2021 and refrain from seizing any data storage devices and computer/electronic data belonging to the applicants.

The parties' attention is drawn to the fact that failure of a Contracting State to comply with a measure indicated under Rule 39 may entail a breach of Article 34 of the Convention. In this connection, reference is made to paragraphs 128 and 129 of the Grand Chamber judgment of 4 February 2005 in the case of *Mamatkulov and Askarov v. Turkey* (applications nos. 46827/99 and 46951/99) as well as point 5 of the operative part.



## **Application form**

In order to complete the file, you must send to the Court by **21 May 2021** the original of the enclosed application form duly completed together with copies of all relevant documents, including copies of appeals and respective domestic courts' decisions. **Please note that if you send original documents, they will not be returned to you by the Court.** If no such information is received by the above date, the application may be struck out of the list of cases without further notice.

## **Barcode labels**

Please find enclosed a set of barcode labels which you should stick on the top right-hand corner of the **first page** of any correspondence sent to the Registry in relation to the present case.

Yours faithfully,

p.p. Billaf -

K. Ryngielewicz Head of the Filtering Section

Enc.: Application pack
Barcode labels

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