



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

AGENT OF THE GOVERNMENT  
BEFORE THE EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Mrs. Marialena Tsirli  
Section Registrar  
Fourth Section  
European Court of Human Rights  
Bucharest, 15 February 2019

Application no. 75317/17

Dragnea v. Romania

LI/ 1512

9163 R/AG/ 15

Dear Madam,

The Government confirm receipt of the Court's letter of 5 February 2019, enclosing the applicant's reply, together with his claims for just satisfaction under Article 41 of the Convention, and inviting the Government to submit their comments by 19 February 2019.

The Government have the honour to inform that the Prime-Minister of Romania decided, on 12 February 2019, to name a new Agent of the Government.

The incumbent Agent of the Government has, therefore, taken office recently and requires a transition period in order to adequately acquaint himself with the applications pending before the Court, including the herein, and to adequately prepare written observations that are to be submitted before the Court.

The Government therefore kindly ask the Court, on an extraordinary basis, to award a prolongation of the time-limit for submitting their comments in the above application by 3 (three) weeks.

The Government are aware of the priority given by the Court to the herein application, upon the applicant's request, and of the requirement to observe the initial time-limits awarded by the Court, but only underline that their herein extraordinary request for an adjournment is made solely on objective grounds.

The Government, in conclusion, respectfully request the Court an exceptional extension of the time-limit for the submission of their comments in the above application, until 12 March 2019.

I am taking this opportunity, Madam Registrar, to assure you of my highest consideration.

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