Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Decision adopted by the Committee under the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, concerning communication No. 31/2018*

Communication submitted by: B.J.M. and S.M.M.
Alleged victims: The authors and their two minor children
State party: Spain
Date of communication: 11 April 2018 (initial submission)
Subject matter: Eviction from a dwelling occupied without legal title
Substantive issue: Right to adequate housing
Article of the Covenant: 11 (1)

1. On 11 April 2018, the authors submitted an individual communication to the Committee on behalf of themselves and their two minor children. On 17 April 2018, the Committee registered the communication and requested the State party to take interim measures to suspend the eviction of the authors and their children pending the consideration of the communication or to provide them with adequate alternative housing, in genuine consultation with them.

2. At its meeting on 12 October 2021, the Committee, having noted that the authors had failed to respond to repeated requests for comments on the State party’s observations, concluded that the authors had lost interest and decided to discontinue its consideration of the communication, in accordance with rule 17 of its provisional rules of procedure under the Optional Protocol.

* Adopted by the Committee at its 70th session (27 September–15 October 2021).