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FUEN wins on the legal struggle of European minorities
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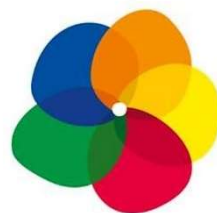
The European Court of Justice delivered that the European Commission decision to reject the registration of FUEN's one million signature campaign on grounds that the initiative is not within its competence was unlawful.

The General Court of the European Court of Justice delivered its judgment in favor of the Federal Union of European Nationalities (FUEN) in the case of the Minority SafePack Initiative against the European Commission's decision on 16 September 2013 to reject the registration of the one million campaign. On February 3, 2017, the General Court ruled that the EU Commission's decision on the rejection of the "Minority SafePack Initiative"



submitted by the FUEN for the European Citizens Initiative was unlawful. The court stated that, the EU Commission failed to comply with its obligations to state reasons by not indicating which of the measures contained in the proposed initiative did not come within its competence and by not setting out the reasons in support of that conclusion. After the court's decision, the EU Commission will have to make a new decision about the FUEN's initiative.

FUEN Vice-President Halit Habip Oğlu said: "We are pleased with the decision which is an important victory for national minorities living in Europe. In defense of „Rights Are Taken, Rights Are Given“ in the application that we made to the court after a deep legal assessment, the Court delivered that we were right. With this decision, the issue of the protection of national minorities in Europe will be seriously moved to the EU agenda. As FUEN we will continue our struggle for the establishment of a protection mechanism in Europe for the national minorities".



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Press release and judgement of the EU Court
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