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**European Court and Commission of Human Rights:**


*ECHR, Akdivar et al. v. Turkey, 16 Sept. 1996, Reports, 1996, IV.*


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*ECJ, Case C-43/75, Defrenne v. Sabena, 1976 ECR I-455.*


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