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## Local residents selling adulterated alcohol detained in Orenburg Region



The Orenburg Region investigating bodies of the Russia's Investigative Committee have opened a criminal investigation in a crime under paragraph "c" of part 2 of article 238 of the RF Penal Code (production, storage, transportation or selling of unsafe goods or products, execution of unsafe work or provision of unsafe services entailing grievous bodily harm) when two men aged 33 and 39 were delivered in Gay District Hospital with adulterated alcohol poisoning.

According to investigators, the victims bought two 1-liter bottles with whisky 200 rubles each on 24 November 2015. On 25 November, they drank the said alcohol and on 26 November they felt unwell. Both men died in the resuscitation department.

During urgent investigative operations the investigators identified and detained a resident of the town of Gay aged 45, who illegally had sold alcohol to the victims. His flat was searched and the investigators confiscated bottles with liquid labeled whisky similar to the ones bought by the victims.

In addition, the person the suspect bought the said alcohol has also been identified and detained. His flat was also searched and at least 300 boxes of presumably adulterated alcohol have been confiscated. The investigators have also found 4 storehouses with alcohol. 8 thousand 300 bottles of

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alcohol have been seized from one of them alone.

Urgent investigative and search operations are underway to find out all the details of the crime.

Unfortunately, spreading of adulterated alcohol goes on and is taking over more regions of the country. Despite active measures taken by the investigators and operative services to find all the outlets and dealers of adulterated alcohol, the sale of poison has not been prevented yet. This is why I once more warn everybody from buying suspicious and cheap alcohol under expensive labels, especially from private dealers or in the Internet. I would also like to address the mass media (especially heads of regional and district mass media): do pay this topic serious attention, let people know about our warnings, this may save somebody's life and health.

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