
In Crimea head of Feodosia administration and his deputy charged with corruption

The investigating bodies of the Main Investigations Directorate for the Republic of Crimea have pressed charges against head of Feodosia town administration Dmitry Shchepetkov and his deputy Makar Makarov. They are accused of a crime under part 6 of article 290 of the RF Penal Code (taking a bribe on a very large scale), part 4 of article 291.1 (intermediacy in bribery on a very large scale).

According to investigators, on 6 November 2015, a businessman submitted to the head of Feodosia administration an application for extension of land lease contract on the property of 2 ha in an area. Shchepetkov and Makarov demanded from the businessman to give them a bribe of 300 thousand US dollars to extend the contract. On 21 December 2015, two middlemen acting on the orders from Shchepetkov and Makarov received 150 thousand US dollars to be passed on to the head of administration and his deputy.

Following a request of investigator a court has ruled to place Shchepetkov in custody. All the details of the crime are being checked. The investigation is ongoing.

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