
Former senior officials of Domodedovo airport arrested in Moscow



The First department of the Central office of the Investigative Committee based in the city of Moscow continues an investigation against former head of the Russian office of Airport Management Company Limited Svetlana Trishina, managing director of ZAO Domodedovo Airport Aviation Security Andrei Danilov, director of the airport complex Vyacheslav Nekrasov and other unidentified persons from among actual owners of Domodedovo airport facilities.

Svetlana Trishina, Andrei Danilov and Vyacheslav Nekrasov are charged with a crime under Part 3 of Article 238 of the RF Penal Code (Fulfillment of works or rendering of services which do not meet safety standards and entailed death of two or more people by negligence).

According to the investigation, to ensure safety of flights and prevent illegal interference Domodedovo airport developed and in 2007 put into operation the Airport Entrance Examination Technology which involved examination of people entering the airport using a stationary metal

detector and if necessary a manual metal detector. The stationary metal detector prevented illegal carrying of metal objects (including weapons and explosives) to the airport. However, the procedure required that passengers and visitors had to stay at the entrances to the airport longer, making lines and holdups. The owners of the airport had to take immediate measures to reconstruct the airport so that there were more entrances which involved some additional expenses. Trishina, Damilov and Nekrasov who were in charge of taking necessary steps to ensure aviation security, in order to minimize the expenses connected with examination at the entrance to Domodedovo and to reduce the number of the staff involved in examination, approved and put into operation Domodedovo Moscow Airport Entrance Examination Technology which reduced the time people had to spend at the entrances to the airport by reducing the actions needed to perform examination. Most of the people entered the airport past the metal detectors. This led to the fact that in 2011, Magomed Yevloyev freely entered Domodedovo airport with an explosive device hidden under his clothes and set it off. 37 people were killed, more than 170 more were injured in the bombing.

A lot of investigative and procedural activities have been carried out to find out all the details of the crime, including numerous forensic inquiries, the results of which together with other evidence confirm that the accused are guilty of the crimes. This way, in accordance to the conclusion of a document and technical forensic examination, a metal detector set at entrance No 3 of Domodedovo airport past which Yevloyev went inside the airport, could have detect the explosive device he carried in.

At present, a court has ruled to place Trishina, Danilov and Nekrasov in custody pending trial.

According to the legislation of the Russian Federation, a crime under Part 3 of Article 238 of the RF Penal Code is a felony with the time of limitations expiring 10 years after the felony was committed.

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