
One of accused of stealing 29 billion rubles from Mezhprombank to stand trial



The Head Office of the Investigative Committee has finished an investigation against former CEO of ZAO OPK Development Dmitry Amunts charged with a crime under Part 5 of Article 33, Part 4 of Article 160 of the RF Penal Code (complicity in misappropriation or embezzlement committed by an organized group on a very large scale).

According to the investigators, in 2008-2009, the member of the Federation Council of the Federal Assembly Sergei Pugachev organized a criminal group which included among others chairman of the executive directorate of International Industrial Bank (Mezhprombank) Alexander Didenko and CEO of ZAO OPK Development Dmitry Amunts (at present deputy head of the Federal Agency for Tourism). The said people conspired to steal about 29 billion rubles from the International Industrial Bank. They did that using some commercial organizations, including ZAO OPK Development, which had accounts in the said bank. Amunts was responsible for signing forged documents which

made up the bases for 29 billion rubles to be transferred to the account of the organization he headed.

During the probe, Didenko concluded a cooperation deal so the criminal case against him was severed to form a separate proceeding. A court has sentenced Didenko to 3 years in prison.

The investigators have enough evidence so the criminal case against Amunts with the approved indictment has been referred to court.

At present, Sergei Pugachev charged with crimes under Part 3 of Article 33, Part 4 of Article 160, Part 3 of Article 33, Part 2 of Article 201 of the RF Penal Code is wanted around the world. A court has ruled to remand him in custody in absentia pending trial.

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