
Investigative Committee Chairman orders probe against Buryatia police officers passed to Central Office for further investigation



The criminal case over the killing of a 17-year-old resident of Buryatia and abuse of office by a number of local policemen has been passed on to the fifth office of the Head Office of the Investigative Committee based in the city of Novosibirsk for thorough and impartial investigation following the order of Chairman of the Investigative Committee Alexander Bastrykin.

On 9 June 2016, the policemen delivered the dead body of the 17-year-old teenager to the reception room of the Sebashko clinical hospital. According to the preliminary diagnosis the teenager had choked on his vomit. The Buryatia Office of the Investigative Committee opened an investigation into a crime under Part 1 of Article 105 of the RF Penal Code (murder).

According to investigators, on the evening of 8 June 2016, in the city of Ulan-Ude, police operative agent Sergei Plotnikov, head of the property crimes office of the Ulan-Ude police department

Andrei Pavlov and head of the office for crimes against the property of the Ulan-Ude police department Anatoly Oloktonov used violence against the teenager to make him confess to a series of thefts. The police officers put something on the teenager's head so that he could not breathe and delivered at least 20 blows to different parts of his body.

In addition, an 18-year-old resident of the city, acquainted with the victim, has also reported to the police that on the same day 8 June 2016, the police officers detained him illegally and demanded that he confessed the a series of thefts. They beat him, tortured, put a gas mask on him to block the flow of oxygen. The investigators have revealed that senior operative agent Valentin Smolin and junior operative agent of the Ulan-Ude police department Zhargak Zamyaynov were involved in the crime.

All five of the police officers were detained and charged with the crimes under Part 3 of Article 286 of the RF Penal Code (abuse of office). They were remanded in custody pending trial.

A number of necessary forensic inquiries are now underway. If they find cause and effect connection between the actions of the police officers and the death of the teenager, the investigators will charge the police officers with more serious crime.

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