

## **In Stavropol Territory, probe launched into attempted suicide by teenager following media reports**



The Stavropol Territory Office of the Investigative Committee has checked reports published by some media yesterday that a 14-year-old girl from a the settlement of Aleksandrovskoye, Stavropol Territory was going to commit suicide and has opened a criminal investigation in suicide solicitation under Article 110 of the RF Penal Code.

By now the investigator of the regional investigative authority has information that the teenager joined a pro-suicide community on a social networking site. From February to March, she got instructions from the creator of the group how she should harm herself and then that she was to kill herself.

To carry out the instructions the girl took a bus to the city of Stavropol on 21 November. Fortunately, she failed to follow the instructions thanks to her pen-pal from the city of Irkutsk and a

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12-year-old girl who happened to be around and by joined efforts the two girls managed to talk her out of such a terrible step.

At present, investigators of the regional investigative authority are taking all possible steps to identify and locate the one who runs the said group and all of its members to prevent other possible suicides in the first place.

The investigators have ordered psychological, psychiatric, forensic medical and other examinations to find out all the circumstances surrounding the incident. Girl's friends, parents, relatives and school teachers are being questioned. The investigators will talk to the girl after she has received necessary psychological attention.

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