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## **Man charged with complicity in embezzlement of money allocated to build Vostochny space launching site to stand trial**



The Head Office of the RF Investigative Committee has finished the investigation against former CEO and member of OOO Sroykonstruksia S Anatoly Ryazanov charged with embezzlement committed by an organized group on a very large scale under Part 5 of Article 33 and Part 4 of Article 160 of the RF Penal Code.

According to investigators, in 2012-2013, Ryazanov and head of Spetsstroysevis under Spetsstroy of Russia Andrei Yartsev together with three accomplices acted as an organized group when they embezzled more than 1.1 billion rubles, the funds from the federal budget entrusted to Yartsev, for the benefit of OOO Sroykonstruksia S, a limited liability company owned by Ryazanov and another accomplice. They bought from Sroykonstruksia S some metalwork to construct facilities of the Vostochny space launching site at overrated prices, while the real expenses for the said goods were about 600 million rubles.

Ryazanov made a plea deal so the criminal case against him was severed to form a separate lawsuit. During a preliminary investigation he gave detailed testimony about the crime including that against his accomplices. The investigators arrested some of Ryazanov's assets to compensate for the damage done. The arrested property includes expensive vehicles - Mercedes Benz S500, BMW 750LIXDRIVE and Infinity QX80, two parking spots, a BAYLINER motor vessel, some money, jewelry and watches.

In addition, to see the entire criminal scheme of stealing the budget funds the investigators had to study and analyze a lot of objects and documents confiscated during the probe. A number of complex forensic examinations were run, including financial and economic ones. Competent and meticulous work of the investigators helped to find out that the contents of the purchasing documents fall short with truth.

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The investigators have enough evidence, so the criminal case against Ryazanov with the signed indictment has been referred to court.

The proceedings against Yartsev and other two accomplices were finished before. They and their lawyers continue reading the files of the case. Another of the accomplices who escaped from law enforcers has been held.

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