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## **Investigators to act in legal interests of baby kidnapped from hospital in Moscow Region**



The Moscow Region Directorate of the Investigative Committee continues investigating the kidnapping of a baby from Dedovsk town hospital on 17 June 2014 (Part 2, item “e” of Article 126 of the RF Penal Code).

Investigators have done a lot of work to find the boy and people involved into his kidnapping. Most experienced investigators, citizens, volunteers and mass media searched for the boy, his photograph was spread all over the country. Though there were thousands babies that looked like him and the chance to track down the kidnappers thinned by the day, the searches were never stopped.

The baby has been located just the other day thanks to well-planned investigative and search operations and by now he has been sent for a medical examination. The investigators believe that a 40-year-old woman from Krasnogorsk District, Moscow Region who had lost her own baby not long

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before, got into the maternity ward and kidnapped the 1-month-old boy abandoned by his biological mother. The woman who had had to cope with the tragedy, hid the biography of the boy from her relatives and loved and raised him as if he were her own.

The kidnapper was identified by information got by law enforcers who then went to her home. She could not produce the original birth certificate, while the copy of the document raised certain doubts.

At the present time, the investigators are carrying out a number of operations to find out the real motive and objective circumstances surrounding the crime. They are going to give legal assessment to the woman's actions. A DNA test is in progress to identify the boy and the results will be known only a month later. The produced document is going to be subject to forgery assessment.

The Investigative Committee has always shown responsibility and attention to the protection of children's rights and in this case is going to act both in strict compliance with the current law and in best interests of the baby, who can repeatedly lose his mother, who though is not the one who gave him birth, but was able to give him love, care and family.

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