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## **Former head of office at Federal Penitentiary Service's Sverdlovsk Region Directorate to stand trial for abuse of office**



The Head Office of the Investigative Committee has finished criminal proceedings against former head of the finance and economy office of the Federal Penitentiary Service's Sverdlovsk Region Directorate Anton Afanasenko, who at the moment of the crime was serving as deputy head of the Directorate. He is charged with abuse of office under Part 1 of Article 285 of the RF Criminal Code.

According to investigators, from December 2016 to January 2017, wanting to get gain and to win favor of newly-appointed head of the Directorate, collected 405 thousand rubes from employees. The said sum had been paid to the staff groundlessly as a one-time bonus for executing complicated and important tasks based on requests of benefits signed by Afanasenko. Using the money Afanasenko set up an illegal fund not provided by internal acts of the Russian Federal Penitentiary Service or local acts of the Department. The fund was fully controlled by Afanasenko and the money was spent only following his orders to meet the needs of the head of the Department including to buy foodstuffs and alcohol drinks.

During preliminary probe, the investigators seized the vehicle of the accused to recover a fine provided for by Article 285 of the RF Criminal Code.

Operative support was provided by officers of Federal Security Service's Sverdlovsk Region Office.

The investigators have enough evidence, so the criminal case with the signed indictment has been

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referred to court.

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