

## **Former First Deputy Prosecutor of the Republic of Bashkortostan accused of corruption arrested under investigation request**



Main Investigations Directorate of the Investigative Committee of Russia continues to investigate into First Deputy Prosecutor of the Republic of Bashkortostan Oleg Gorbunov, Deputy Head of the Department on Supervision of Criminal Procedure and Operational Search Activities of said Prosecutor's Office Artur Sharetdinov, and their accomplices. Gorbunov and Sheretdinov are accused of committing an offence under Part 6 of Article 290 of the Criminal Code of Russia (bribe-taking).

Among the perpetrators of the probe, there is an employee of the Prosecutor's Office of Ufa, a local self-government deputy, and a CEO of an enterprise, all accused of mediating of bribe-giving (Part 4 of Article 291.1 of the Criminal Code of Russia); as well as the First Deputy Head of Ufa Administration, whose actions appear to be offensive under Part 6 of Article 290 of the Criminal Code of Russia (bribe-giving). They testified on the circumstances of the offence.

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According to the investigation, in 2017, Oleg Gorbunov and Artur Sharetdinov, acting as a conspired group with mediation of three persons, had received a bribe of 10 million roubles from the First Deputy Head of Ufa to annul the decision to launch a probe into illegal actions of officials of the administration of Ufa Urban District of the Republic of Bashkortostan during the implementation of a regional targeted program for resettlement of citizens from the emergency housing stock. Later, Gorbunov's illegal ruling had been repealed by the Deputy Prosecutor General of the Russian Federation.

Today, at a request of the investigation, he was subjected to a preventive detention.

The criminal investigation is ongoing.

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