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## Probe finished into swindling in Lesbank OJSC



The Main Investigations Directorate of the Investigative Committee of Russia completed the probe into former employee of Lesbank OJSC Yelena Matveeva; beneficial owner of the bank Stanislav Grigoryev; and Head of the Corporate Banking Department of the bank Nikolay Mamiof. They were charged with committing an offence under Part 4 of Article 159 of the Criminal Code of Russia (swindling).

According to the investigators, the accused had stolen 50 million roubles of Lesbank OJSC funds through counterfeit documents on October 6, 2015, the day the bank's licence had been revoked. The investigators established that, in order to steal the money, Matveeva, Grigoryev, and Mamiof had set up withdrawal documents for a specified sum, allegedly, for a bank's client by a cashier. They had taken the stolen money.

During the investigation, Grigoryev and Mamiof plead guilty and made confessions on themselves and their accomplices.

The investigators gathered sufficient evidence of their guilt, despite the fact that the day of committing the crime they had tried to conceal it and prevent the stealing to be found, including their

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deleting all the bank's data bases and video tapes.

Due to a misrepresentation of the bank's employees engaged in the preparation of the counterfeit documents by the accused, the investigators had to carry out a number of face-to-face confrontations and to assess the statements of all witnesses in order to recreate the circumstances of the crime.

The probe was referred to a prosecutor to decide upon confirmation of the indictment.

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