
In Krasnodar Territory, guest house owner to appear in court under probe into death of boy falling into storm drain



The Krasnodar Regional Directorate of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation has concluded investigation into an offense under Article 109, Part 1 of the Criminal Code of Russia (infliction of death by negligence) against a 52-year-old owner of a guest house. The man is charged with infliction of death by negligence to a 7-year-old boy who had fallen into a storm drain in Lazarevskoe rural settlement this summer.

According to the investigation, the accused, in violation of construction requirements, had voluntarily installed a concrete slab above the storm drain in front of his hostel on Oktyabrskaya Street of Lazarevskoe rural settlement, failing to equip it with railings or fences or to install lattices with openings in the top of the drain. At that, the man had known he had not complied with the requirements, due to his special education. As a result, on August 3, 2018, the 7-year-old boy heading for the hostel had been hit by a stream of water, and he had fallen into the open storm drain

that had been running along the street. The stream had pulled the child under the concrete slab and then to the sea. Following the search, the boy's body had been found in the sea near the Svirka River.

The investigation gathered enough evidence; therefore in the nearest future the criminal case will be referred to the court to be tried on the merits.

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