
In Omsk, investigation finished into organized group of persons charged with theft of over half-billion rubles from insurance company

The Omsk Regional Investigations Directorate of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation has completed the investigation into Stanislav Matselevich, Stanislav Primakov, Rafael Petrosyan, and Alexander Efremov, charged with crimes under Part 4 of Article 160 (misappropriation or embezzlement, that is, the stealing of other people's property entrusted to the convicted person) and Paragraphs A and B of Part 4 of Article 174.1 (legalization (laundering) of monetary funds or other property acquired by a person as a result of an offence committed by them) of the Criminal Code of Russia.

According to the investigators, the accused and other persons whose cases are presented separately, acting as members of a criminal group with clear distribution of roles, in 2013-2016, had stolen funds of Insurance Investment Company LLC, which main business had been insurance of the third-party liability of developers, through the use of a number illegal schemes including write-off of monetary funds from settlement accounts of the insurance company disguised as granting of loans to third party organizations, payout of dividends, payment of agency fees under fictitious contracts, purchase of securities and real estate property, transfer of bills of exchange to third parties, and on other fictitious grounds. The investigators believe that, in the result of illegal actions of the accused, a total of over 1.7 billion rubles had been stolen which subsequently had been legalized by the accused via the transfer to the accounts of controlled organizations disguised as civil transactions.

The accused persons did not admit their guilt during the investigation. The investigation requested to keep Matselevich, Primakov, and Petrosyan in the custody and to impose travel restrictions and good behavior obligations on Alexander Efremov. At the request of the investigators, the court seized the property and money of the accused in the total amount of around 500 million rubles as compensation for the damage inflicted by the crime.

The investigators performed a massive scope of investigative actions--the materials of the case consist of 180 volumes; currently, the investigator prepares an indictment which will be followed by the submission of the case to the court.

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