
In Murmansk, probe launched into fire on Admiral Kuznetsov aircraft carrier



The North-Western Transport Investigations Directorate of the Investigative Committee of Russia has launched a probe into a fire on the Admiral Kuznetsov aircraft carrier under Article 216 of the Criminal Code of Russia (violation of the safety rules during the construction or other works).

According to the investigation, in 2018, the heavy aircraft carrier cruiser “Soviet Union Admiral Kuznetsov” was handed over to the Joint Shipbuilding Corporation for routine maintenance. Preliminary data show that the fire started today during maintenance welding works. The number of affected persons is being clarified.

An investigative emergency team of the most experienced investigators and forensic investigators of the Investigative Directorate has left for the scene. Investigators are taking measures to establish all circumstances, as well as causes and conditions that led to the accident.

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