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## **The Chairman of the Investigative Committee of Russia puts under supervision a probe into negligence of authorities of Barnaul Public Utilities Committee**

Chairman of the Investigative Committee of Russia instructed the direction of Altai Territorial Investigations Directorate to report about situation with substandard housing in Barnaul. He also put under supervision progress of a probe into negligence of authorities of Barnaul Public Utilities Committee at deciding matters of resettlement from substandard housing.

The Altai Territorial Investigations Directorate is investigating a probe under Part 1 of Article 293 of the Criminal Code of Russia (two episodes). According to investigation, in the evening of April 5, 2021 a residential building No. 51 on 1st Zapadnaya street of Barnaul was threatened by structural collapse. Moreover, in April of the current year an outer wall of a residential building No. 54 on Sovetskoy Armii street of the regional capital, that in 2013 was recognised as substandard and subject to demolition, partially collapsed entailing treat of collapse of a roof and evacuation of residents. It was established that Public Utilities Committee authorities failed to set timelines for resettlement of residents from the building in Sovetskoy Armii street and to take timely measures for resettlement of residents and appointment of a temporary management company.

At present over 220 residential buildings in Barnaul have been recognised as substandard. Residents of substandard housing organized a public rally to request the authorities to take the situation under control and solve the problem.

Alexander Bastrykin instructed to carefully examine the situation in terms of a probe taking into account arguments of the citizens and to establish all circumstances of the matter. He request to give legal assessment to actions of all authorities responsible for resettling people from substandard housing.

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