
In Moscow, preliminary investigation into new large-scale episodes of illegal activities of former Director General of Slavyanka JSC and a criminal group created by him finished

The Main Military Investigations Directorate of the Investigative Committee of Russia finished investigative actions into former Director General of Slavyanka JSC and founder of Bezopasnost i Svyaz CJSC (hereinafter referred to as "BiS") Alexander Elkin, Head of Slavyanka JSC Maintenance Department Konstantin Lapshin, deputy head of logistics department of the federal state general education institution "Moscow Cadet Corps "Girl's Boarding School of the Ministry of Defence of the Russian Federation" (hereinafter referred to as "Boarding School"), and, since December 2012, head of General Department of the Boarding School Alexander Migunov, and Yulia Rotanova acting as an Assistant Director-General of BiS.

Depending on the role of each, they are charged with committing offences under Part 1 of Article 159 (swindling), Paragraphs A, B of Part 4 of Article 204, Paragraphs A, B, C of Part 4 of Article 204, and Paragraphs A, B, D of Part 7 of Article 204 (commercial bribery), Part 2 of Article 201 (abuse of authority entailing grave consequences), Part 3 of Article 174.1 of the Criminal Code of Russia (legalization of funds acquired in an illegal way).

To remind, in August 2016 the Tverskoy District court of Moscow found Elkin, Lapshin, former BiS Director General Alexander Lugansky, Rotanova, and interim head of Economic Management Directorate of the Defence Ministry of the Russian Federation Nickolay Ryabyh, guilty of, depending on the role of each, committing in 2010-2012 offences under Part 4 of Article 159, Paragraphs A, B of Part 4 of Article 204, Part 3 of Article 174.1, Part 5 of Article 33, Paragraphs A, B of Part 4 of Article 204 (accessory in commercial bribery), Part 3 of Article 30, Paragraphs A, B of Part 4 of Article 204 and Part 3 of Article 30, Part 5 of Article 33, Paragraphs A, B of Part 4 of Article 204 of the Criminal Code of Russia (attempted commercial bribery and accessory in it) and sentenced them to 11, 9, 7, 6 and 5 years of imprisonment and a fine of 500 million rubles, 450 million rubles, 700 000 rubles, 500 million rubles and 700 000 rubles respectively. The court obliged the accused to return to state over 83 million rubles of inflicted damage.

Preliminary investigation of the probe detected new large-scale episodes of illegal activities of Elkin and the members of an organized criminal group created by him.

For example, from July 2010 to September 2012 Elkin, Lapshin and Rotanova forced forced direction of 17 commercial organizations to hand over to them over 385 million rubles to use at their

own discretion for the right of conclusion contracts and subcontracts for maintenance of barrack housing across the Russian Federation and under threat of complications of payment for fulfilled works.

In May-June 2011 Elkin contracted two commercial organizations on terms unfavourable for his organization inflicting to Slavyanka damage of almost 134 million rubles.

Apart from that, from December 2009 to January 2014 Elkin, together with Lugansky and Migunov, using his official position, by fraud and abuse of authority embezzled over 223 million rubles allocated to rendering of services of complex engineering and technical maintenance of buildings of the Military Academy of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation and dormitories on its balance sheet, and of complex maintenance of interior premises and administrative buildings of the Boarding School and surrounding area. Almost 198 million rubles of the indicated funds were cashed out through shell companies.

During preliminary investigation representatives of the Ministry of Defence of Russia, Garnizon and Slavyanka joint stock companies, recognized as victims under the probe, filed civil complaints against the accused to fully compensate for the damage.

At present the participants of the criminal proceedings have started to study the case files.

Due to the fact that Lugansky, charged with committing of offences under Part 4 of Article 159, and Part 3 of Article 174.1 of the Criminal Code of Russia, has signed an immunity treaty pre-trial, the probe against him is to be presented separately. At the moment the accused and his advocate are studying the case files.

In order to compensate for the damage inflicted to the state, the military investigators during the preliminary investigation of probes into former management authorities of Slavyanka, BiS and the Ministry of Defence of Russia discovered at residence and in different banks (including foreign ones) and mainly seized funds in rubles and foreign currency totalling for over 1.1 billion rubles at official exchange rate, and arrested 51 object of movable and real estate property of total value of 500 million rubles.

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