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## **In Orenburg Region, charges pressed against three citizens for committing a terrorist offense**

The Orenburg Regional Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of Russia continues investigation of a probe launched upon Federal Security Service materials into a terrorist offense. Three local citizens (a 38-year-old man, his 46-year-old wife and their 32-year-old relative), depending on the role of each, have been charged with committing an offense under Part 1.1 of Article 205.1 of the Criminal Code of Russia (assistance to terrorism, that is, financing terrorism) and Article 205.6 of the Criminal Code of Russia (non-reporting of an offense in the field of terrorism).

According to investigation, from December 2015 to March 2019 the accused, residing in Orenburg Region and outside of it, used bank cards for multiple raising and transaction of funds to persons within international terrorist organization Islamic State (banned in Russia) for further financing of preparing and committing terrorist offenses.

It was also established that one of the perpetrators - the 32-year-old woman - failed to report about transferring of money by her relatives to persons belonging to the international terrorist organization Islamic State she was aware about.

Two of the accused (the married couple) have been put into custody. The third accused was subject to travel restrictions and good behavior obligations.

At present, investigative and search activities aimed to establish circumstances of the committed offences are being carried out under the probe. The investigation is to establish the quantity of money raised and transferred to the terrorist organization and to identify other participants of the funding channel. The criminal investigation is ongoing.

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