
A resident of Astrakhan Region found guilty of committing of a number of offenses related to terrorism

The evidence collected by the Astrakhan Regional Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of Russia was found by court to be sufficient to issue an indictment over an 18-year-old resident of Kharabali of Kharabalsky district of Astrakhan Region. We was found guilty of committing offenses under Part 1 of Article 30, Part 1 of Article 205, Part 1.1 of Article 205.1, Part 1 of Article 223.1, Part 1 of Article 222.1, Part 2 of Article 205.5 of the Criminal Code of Russia (preparation for a terrorist attack, persuading of a person to committing offences under Part 1 of Article 205, Article 205.5 of the Criminal Code of Russia, illegal manufacturing of explosives and an explosive device, illegal storage of explosives and an explosive device, participation in activities of an organization recognized as terrorist according to legislation of the Russian Federation).

Investigation and the court established that in 2017-2018 the underage resident of Kharabali of Kharabalsky district of Astrakhan Region, being an adept of radical Islam, under influence of religious beliefs, persuaded his acquaintances by means of persuasion, convictions and other forms of psychological influence to enter and participate in Islamic State terrorist organization, and appealed to religious unity, cohesion and solidarity, convincing them in the need to participate in hostilities as part of this terrorist organization in Syria.

During the period from September 2018 to January 2019 the young man planned to commit a terrorist attack by mining an administrative building of one of law enforcement bodies of the Astrakhan Region.

During the said period of time he was searching for accomplices for the offense, persuaded his acquaintances to commit the terrorist attack and encouraged them to enter and participate in the Islamic State terrorist organization.

According to the developed plan of the terrorist attack in Astrakhan Region, the accused found on the Internet information about materials and components required to manufacture explosives and a self-made explosive device and manufacturing methods and purchased all the necessary components. The young man manufactured the explosives and an explosive device and stored them at his residence.

Apart from that, investigation established that in early January of 2019 the young man entered the international terrorist organization Islamic State in order to perform relevant functional duties aimed

to fulfill its goals, including committing of terrorist attacks in Astrakhan Region.

These facts were detected by the Astrakhan Regional Department of the Federal Security Service of Russia.

The court sentenced the young man to 7 years of imprisonment in a general regime penal colony and a fine of 7,000 rubles.

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