In Moscow, an organizer of financing of terrorist activities in the metropolitan region to stand trial



The Moscow Main Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of Russia finished investigation of a probe into organizer of financing of terrorist activities Alim Begiev. He is charged with committing offenses under Part 2 of Article 205.5 (participation in an organization recognized as terrorist under legislation of the Russian Federation), Part 4 of Article 205.1 of the Criminal Code of Russia (organization of financing of a terrorist organization).

According to investigation, Begiev, while residing abroad, joined a banned terrorist organization. Upon return to Russia in 2015, he started searching for persons willing to provide material aid to active participants of the international terrorist organization Islamic State (banned in Russia by the decision of the Russian Supreme Court). He had used a mobile application to create a group and started inviting trusted persons who had agreed to finance the illegal terrorist organization in Syria and Iraq. The group was joined by approximately 30 participants.

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The organizer of the group was collecting money on his accounts and transferred it to the accounts of persons taking part in combats as participants of the illegal armed group. The money was used to finance logistics units of the terrorist organizations and to prepare and commit crimes of terrorist nature.

The organizer talked in person with each participant of the group, taking them to Kokoshkino rural settlement of Moscow Region, where they even pledged allegiance to the terrorist organization. After initiation, the new participants were obliged to provide financial support to the indicated organization by transferring money every month.

Investigators of the Investigative Committee of Russia carried out numerous searches and arrests in Moscow, Moscow Region, the Republic of Dagestan, and the Kabardino-Balkar Republic. During investigation the officers in cooperation with officers of the Federal Security Service of Russia and the Main Directorate for Combating Extremism of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia detained 15 accomplices. Previously 8 accomplices have been found guilty by court and sentenced to long-term imprisonment up to 12 years, probes into 4 accomplices are tried on the merits in court. Investigation into 3 other accomplices continues.

Investigators cave carries out a significant amount of investigative actions, over 80 witnesses have been questioned, numerous bank statements have been requested and analyzed. Financial examinations and other activities aimed to expose the accomplices in their illegal activities have been carried out upon request of investigation.

The investigation gathered enough evidence; therefore, the criminal case with the approved indictment has been sent to the court to be tried on the merits.

At present investigation continues joint work with operative services aimed at detection and identification of all accomplices of Alim Begiev.

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