

Six persons involved in financing terrorism identified in a number of regions



The Main Investigative Department over North Caucasian Federal District of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation continues the investigation of probes into Russian citizens financing activities of the international terrorist organization Islamic State (banned in the Russian Federation).

According to investigation, during the period from 2016 to June 2017 the members of the Islamic State terrorist organization from among the citizens of the Russian Federation, while on the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic, organized the financing of its terrorist activities. For this purpose they attracted a resident of the Dagestan Republic who ensured raising of funds on the territory of Moscow, Moscow Region, Khanty-Mansi autonomous district - Yugra, Krasnoyarsk Territory and the Republic of Dagestan through transfers by means of payment systems and bank cards, and delivery of the money to the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic controlled by members of the international terrorist organization.

During the said period the indicated persons collected at least 500,000 rubles for financing terrorism from persons residing in North-Caucasian, Southern, Central, North-Western, Siberian and Urals

federal districts, including perpetrators of probes into terrorist related offenses.

Investigators of the Main Investigative Department over North Caucasian Federal District of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation in interaction with units of the Central Office of the Federal Security Service of Russia, Tyumen Regional Department of the Federal Security Service of Russia, Regional Departments of the Federal Security Service of Russia over Krasnoyarsk Territory, Republic of Dagestan and Stavropol Territory, Centre E of the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia over the North-Caucasian Federal District, and Regional Departments of the Russian Interior Ministry over Khanty-Mansi autonomous district - Yugra, Krasnoyarsk Territory and Republic of Dagestan have carried out large-scale activities including searches at residences of suspects and persons involved in financing terrorism.

During the investigative activities six persons were detained on suspicion of committing an offence under Part 1 of Article 205.1 of the Criminal Code of Russia (assisting terrorism). Due to the gravity of the committed offences, the investigation intends to ask the court to put them into custody.

At present investigation is establishing roles and specific actions committed by the suspects in financing terrorism and checking their involvement in committing of other offenses; active measures are taken to identify other participants of the offense. The criminal investigation is ongoing.

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