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## **In Sverdlovsk Region, three suspects detained in terms of investigation of a probe into a road accident entailing death of 7 persons**



The traffic accident involving a regular bus carrying passengers occurred in the morning of June 10, 2021. According to preliminary information, the said vehicle driven by a man born in 1964, due to an emerged malfunction, ran into the gate of a local enterprise checkpoint and entered its territory. As a result of the accident, 6 persons that were on the territory of the enterprise died at the scene. Several other citizens were hospitalized in medical institutions. One of persons from among the delivered to hospitals also subsequently died. Thus, the current total number of persons who died as a result of the accident is 7.

The investigative bodies of the Investigative Committee of Russia launched probes into this matter under Part 3 of Article 238 (rendering of services that do not meet safety requirements for life and

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health of consumers, entailing by negligence death of two or more people) and Part 3 of Article 266 of the Criminal Code of Russia (poor-quality repair of vehicles and their release into operation with technical malfunctions, entailing by negligence death of two or more persons). Apart from that, the internal affairs bodies launched a probe under Part 5 of Article 264 of the Criminal Code of Russia (violation of rights for traffic safety and use of transport vehicles, entailing by negligence death of two or more persons). The said probes were consequently merged in one proceeding to be processed by the Department I for Major Crimes Investigation of the Sverdlovsk Regional Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of Russia due to significant volume of investigative activities and high public resonance.

At present three persons have been detained in terms of the probe - a 56-year-old driver who was driving the bus, a 61-year-old man who performed the functions of a mechanic for the release of vehicles on the line at a car company, and a 67-year-old director of a car company, who has a bus on his balance sheet.

Investigators continue to carry out a set of required investigative actions in terms of the probe, aimed to establish all circumstances of the offense, collect and consolidate the evidence.

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