In Ulyanovsk Region director of a firm that has built unfit housing for orphan children to face trial



The Ulyanovsk Regional Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of Russia have completed an investigation into a criminal case against the director of LLC Selstroi Povolzhye. He is accused of embezzlement of funds intended for a socially unprotected category of persons - orphans and children left without parental care (Part 4 of Article 159 of the Criminal Code), improper turnover of funds of payments (Part 1 of Article 187 of the Criminal Code) and performance of works that do not meet the safety requirements of life and health of consumers (Part 1 of Article 238 of the Criminal Code).

The investigation found that the accused concluded with the regional Ministry of Construction of the housing and public utilities and transport state contract for participation in the construction of an apartment building for the above categories of persons at the address: Ulyanovsk region, Melekessky district, Novaya Maina, 5a.

Subsequently, he built a house that was unfit for habitation due to numerous significant defects. Despite this, the accused transferred it to the balance of the executive authorities of the region, and subsequently the apartments in them were provided to persons from the number of orphans and children left without parental care.

In the process of exploitation of the premises numerous defects and their inconsistency with technical and sanitary and epidemiological norms and rules began to be revealed: violation of safety requirements during construction of the foundation, absence of insulation under the floor and along the perimeter of the outer walls, breached airtightness of floors in living rooms and lavatories, breached requirements for ventilation of the house. According to an expert opinion, the normal operation of the house in its current technical condition is impossible; the cost of fixing the defects is comparable to the cost of new construction.

As a result of the criminal actions of the accused the Ministry of Construction of the housing and communal complex and transport of the Ulyanovsk region has been caused damage of more than 17 million rubles.

A preventive measure was chosen in respect of the accused in the form of a ban on certain actions: to leave their place of residence between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., communicate with witnesses and victims and use the Internet. A means of personal control was applied to him in a form of an electronic bracelet-tracker to track his movements. Also his property was arrested - two cars and a share in the authorized capital of the company.

The investigation has collected sufficient evidence, and therefore the criminal case with an approved indictment was sent to court to be tried on the merits.

In addition, there is an ongoing criminal investigation into the negligence of officials of the state and local governments, who took over the balance of the house.

Orphans and children left without parental care are the most vulnerable social group of people. Therefore, on the instructions of the Chairman of the Investigative Committee of Russia Alexander Ivanovich Bastrykin, the Committee has been monitoring the provision of housing for orphans for several years. Each such case is taken under the control of the investigation department and measures are taken to restore the violated rights.

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