
A Former Officer of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and His Accomplices Accused of Attempted Fraud to Come Up for Trial



The Main Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation for the North Caucasian Federal District has completed the investigation of the criminal case against the former deputy head of the Investigative Department of the Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the city of Kislovodsk, Armen Tsaturyan, and two civilians: Yanis Popov and Mikhail Agafonov. They are accused of committing a crime under Part 3 of Article 30, Part 4 of Article 159 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (attempted fraud on an especially large scale, by a group of persons, by prior agreement).

The investigation of the criminal case was carried out in cooperation with the General Directorate of the Security Service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia and the Directorate of the Federal Security Service of Russia for Stavropolsky Krai.

According to investigators, on October 22, 2020, the deputy head of the Investigative Department of the Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the city of Kislovodsk, Armen Tsaturyan, as well as Popov and Agafonov, acting as a group of persons by prior agreement, fraudulently stole money from a certain Kulikov in an especially large amount (totaling 3,400,000 rubles). He was misled about the opportunity of the defendants to contribute to the termination of a criminal case against him, which was being processed by the Investigative Department of the Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the city of Pyatigorsk.

Members of the criminal group were detained in Pyatigorsk, upon receiving the required funds from the man acting under the control of law enforcement officers.

At present, the investigation has collected a sufficient evidence base, in connection with which the criminal case with the passed criminal indictment has been filed for consideration on the merits.

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