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## **Chairman of the IC of Russia Instructs to Initiate Criminal Case on Illegal Criminal Prosecution of D. O. Rogozin**



Chairman of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation Alexander Ivanovich Bastrykin instructed the Main Investigative Department of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation to initiate a criminal case against Ukrainian officials who initiated criminal proceedings against Director of State Corporation Roscosmos Dmitry Olegovich Rogozin.

The Prosecutor General's Office of Ukraine charged D. O. Rogozin in absentia “with encroachment on the territorial integrity of Ukraine, as well as complicity in waging an aggressive war.”

This decision is another attempt to illegally hold Russian citizens criminally liable. Given this, A. I. Bastrykin instructed the Main Investigative Department of the IC of Russia to initiate a criminal case on a possible crime under Article 299 of the Criminal Code (holding an obviously innocent person criminally liable or illegal initiation of a criminal case) and Article 301 of the Criminal Code (illegal detention, arrest or holding in custody), as well as to conduct investigative actions aimed at obtaining and documenting evidence within the criminal case.

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