## The Chairman of the Investigative Committee of Russia personally examined the mansion of E.P. Saltykova in St. Petersburg and held a brief meeting



The Main Investigation Directorate of the Russian Investigative Committee is investigating a criminal case on the demolition of cultural heritage sites in St. Petersburg. One of these objects is the mansion of E.P. Saltykova, located on Bolshaya Morskaya Street in St. Petersburg.

The Chairman of the Russian Investigative Committee personally examined the mansion, and afterwards he held a brief meeting with his subordinates. He instructed to strengthen the investigation team, including investigators from the Main Directorate, and to promote the process of investigation and examination in order to identify and prosecute all persons involved in illegal actions. The investigation of the criminal case is a subject to a special control by the Chairman.

The Head of the Department instructed to organize an internal inspection relative to the investigators

of the Main Investigative Directorate for St. Petersburg, who was in charge of the criminal case, noting the unsatisfactory work of the investigation at the preliminary stage.

Today, within a criminal investigation, Mr. Anton Plyutov, General Director of Severnaya Zemlya Kompaniya LLC, was interrogated. This Company is an investor of the project for the reconstruction of the building and it takes part in its demolition. The investigation is studying all the files related to the demolition of the building.

Along with this, the Head of the Body instructed to launch another criminal case against Mr. Nikolai Markov, the office manager of Mandarin Production and Commercial Company LLC, accused of assaulting Mr. Oleg Mukhin, city historic preservation activist, and to achieve a pre-trial restraint as custody for him.

In addition, on the motion of Mr. A.I. Bastrykin, a meeting with the historic preservation activists of St. Petersburg will be organized in the nearset future due to discuss the issues of protecting the city's cultural heritage.

The Chairman of the Russian Investigative Committee also instructed, to suspend all demolition works of the disputed cultural heritage sites, in accordance with the procedure established by law.

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