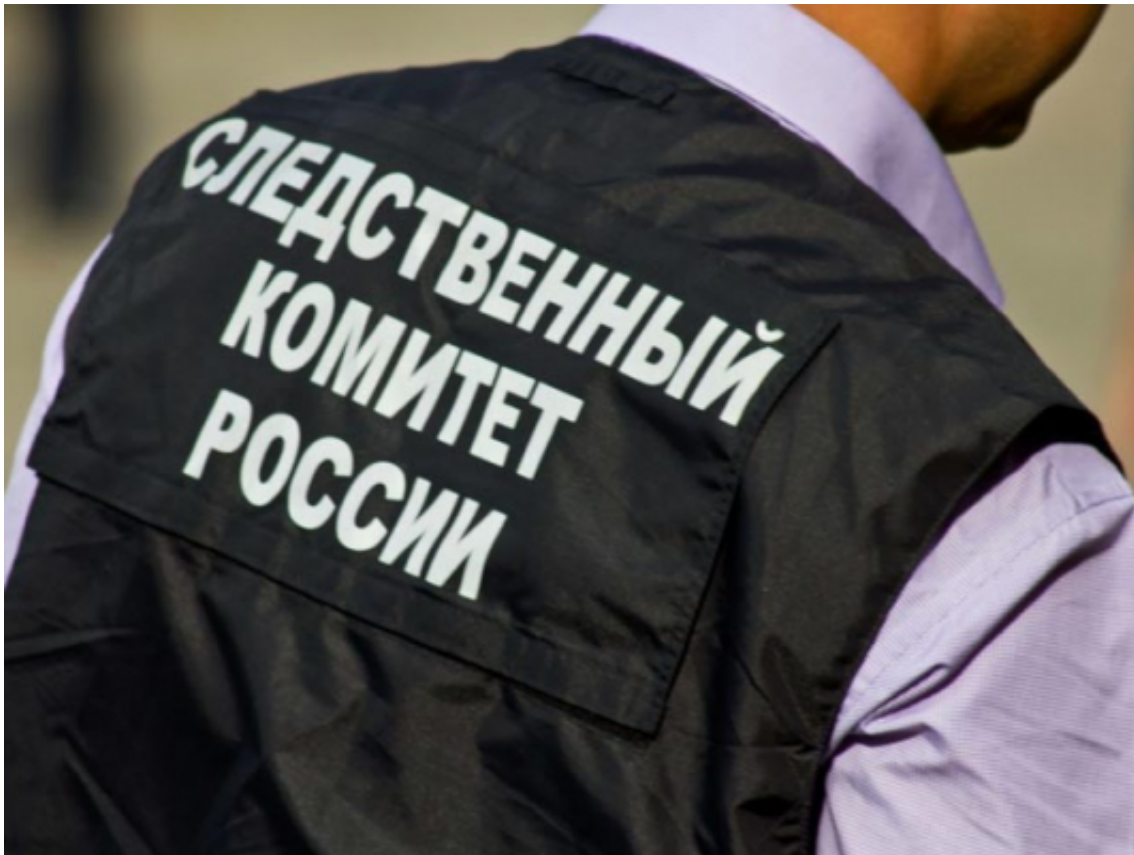

Suspected of terrorism sponsorship and participation attempt in the activities of a terrorist organization is detained



The Main Investigative Directorate of the Investigative Committee of the Russian Federation for North Caucasian Federal Okrug launched a criminal case against Mr. Shamil Amurzakov in accordance with Part 3, Article 30, Part 2, Article 205.5, Part 1, Article 205.1 of the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (participation attempt in the activities of a terrorist organization, terrorism sponsorship).

According to the investigation, at the end of 2015, Mr. Amurzakov had a criminal intent to participate in a banned international terrorist organization. To implement his criminal plans in 2016, Mr. Amurzakov, together with Mr. Denislam Shamaev, went by bus from Moscow to Ukraine for subsequent departure to the Republic of Turkey, and from there to the Syrian Arab Republic to participate in an international terrorist organization. While entering Ukraine, Mr. Amurzakov and Mr. Shamaev were detained by Law Enforcement Agencies of that country and expelled back to the

territory of the Russian Federation. In this regard, Mr. Amurzakov and Mr. Shamaev were unable to reach their final destination point and take part in an international terrorist organization.

In addition, Mr. Amurzakov made money transfers to the bank card of a person who was on the territory of the Syrian Arab Republic in 2016, while being in the city of Moscow, the Chechen Republic and the Republic of Dagestan, as well as to the bank card of Mr. Shamaev, who at that time was collecting money funds. The money was transferred to facilitate the activities of an international terrorist organization.

Mr. Amurzakov was detained with the assistance of Officers of the Russian FSB and the Main Directorate of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for North Caucasus Federal Okrug. The investigation petitions the Court for imposing restraint as custody to the Suspect.

Currently, urgent investigative and other procedural actions are being carried out with his participation. The criminal investigation continues.

Earlier, the Court issued a guilty verdict against Mr. Shamaev.

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