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## **Another member of “Tambovsky” organized criminal group to appear in court**

Central Investigations Directorate of the Russia’s Investigative Committee has completed investigating a criminal case against a member of “Tambovsky” organized criminal group Albert Starostin. He is charged with crimes under part 4 of article 159 (swindling) and part 3 of article 30, part 4 of article 159 of the RF Criminal Code (attempted swindling).

According to investigators, in the period between February and April of 2006, Starostin together with other members of the organized criminal group, including Vladimir Barsukov (Kumarin), Oleg Kumishche, Alexander Baskakov, stole the rights on shares in the authorized capital of a number of enterprises in Saint-Petersburg: SP ZAO Peterburgsky Neftyanoy Terminal (Petersburg Oil Terminal CJSC), OAO Usluga (OJSC), ZAO Konditerskaya Fabrika imeni N.K. Krupskoy (CJSC), OAO Hotel Saint-Petersburg (OJSC), OOO Nevsky 24 (LC), OOO Interyer (LC), OAO Saint-Petersburg (OJSC), OOO Lada Service (LC), OOO self-service market Pulkovsly (LC), OAO Kanat (OJSC), OOO Chay-Kofe (LC) and ZAO Igristye Vina (CJSC) and the property of the said companies and organizations. The crimes were committed by filling out articles of association for fake members and by illegal putting changes in the electronic database of Unified State Register of Legal Entities.

The criminal case was severed into a separate lawsuit due to the fact the Starostin made a pre-trial cooperation deal with investigators.

Investigators have collected enough evidence and the case with approved indictment is accordingly forwarded to the court to be tried on the merits.

Investigation against other members of the criminal group is to be continued.

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