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## **Officers of economic crime and anticorruption department in Moscow found guilty of fraud**

Court has found the evidence gathered by investigating bodies of Moscow Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's investigative Committee enough to convict staffers of economic crime and anticorruption department of interior office in Central Administrative District of the Main Office of the Russian Interior Ministry in Moscow Alexey Marugin and Vladislav Klimenko and a businessman Viktor Teplinsky. They were found guilty of a crime under part 4 of article 159 of the RF Criminal Code (swindling on an especially large scale).

Investigators and the court have found that the businessman Igor Desyatnikov reported to Marugin and Klimenko that some shares of a Moscow bank had been stolen from him by swindling. The police officers entered the criminal conspiracy and demanded from Desyatnikov 150 thousand U.S. dollars for launching a criminal investigation into the fact. For transfer of money they involved a mediator Teplinsky. On 10 October 2012 Teplinsky gave to the police officers 100 thousand U.S. dollars, which he received from Desyatnikov for opening the case. After that Marugin and Klimenko made semblance of conducting checking operations over the case, but in 2011 passed a resolution to refuse launching the criminal investigation. In April 2012 Desyatnikov reported the crime to law-enforcement. After that the resolution was cancelled and at the moment there is an ongoing investigation into misappropriation of shares of Desyatnikov's bank.

The court sentenced Klimenko to 4 years in prison, Marugin – to 2 years in prison, and Teplinsky to suspended sentence of 3 years and 6 months in prison.

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