
In Rostov Region deputy head of office of traffic police charged with plotting assault on his boss

The Southern Federal District Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee during investigation of a criminal case over assault on Chief of the Office of the Office of Traffic Police of the Rostov Region Office of the Russian Interior Ministry Lieutenant Colonel of Police Sergey Morgachev has charged deputy head of Rostov Region Traffic Police Office Alexander Otsimik with a crime under part 3 of article 33, paragraph "a" of part 3 of article 111 of the RF Penal Code (organization of intentional infliction of grievous bodily harm). Four residents of the city of Astrakhan have been charged with a crime under part 3 of article 111 (intentional infliction of grievous bodily harm).

As it has been reported earlier, on 25 March 2014 two men hit Morgachev on his head and body with wooden sticks near the elevators on the 16th floor of a block of flats in Lenin Street in the city of Rostov-on-Don. The victim was hospitalized with an open craniocerebral trauma and numerous fractures of facial bones. The circumstances of the crime indicate that the assault was carefully planned, prepared and carried out in connection with his professional activity.

According to investigators the motive was a conflict which occurred between Morgachev and Otsimik while they were discharging their duty. Otsimik disagreed with Morgachev's methods of work in organizing activities of the Traffic Police Office, including human resource issues and requirements to the subordinates, including the accused. As a result Otsimik disliked Morgachev.

In addition the investigators have established that another person was involved in the crime, whose personal information and whereabouts are being looked into.

At the motion of investigators a court has ruled to remand three of the assailants in custody, the fourth is under house arrest. During the investigation some of the accused were willing to cooperate and therefore admitted their guilt and gave testimonies exposing others. Investigation is ongoing.

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