## Investigating bodies of the Russia's Investigative Committee petition to give them to investigate a criminal case against former adviser to governor of Murmansk Region

The investigating bodies of the Murmansk Region Investigations Directorate appealed to the prosecutor's office requesting to seize from the investigating bodies of the Interior Ministry and give them under investigation a criminal case against former adviser to governor of the Murmansk Region Gennady Shubin.

The request is explained by the fact that investigating bodies of the Investigative Committee have under investigation 10 criminal cases over crimes committed in the area of housing and communal services and energy supply complex of the region.

Five of them are being investigated by the Murmansk Region investigating bodies of the Investigative Committee. Four of them are over illegal replacement of CEOs of OOO ECOCenter (LLC), OOO Energoteplosbyt (LLC), ZAO Alians-Invest (CJSC) and OOO SistemaPlus (LLC), representing a single complex which is an owner of the largest in the region electric network and energy sales companies. One criminal case has been initiated against director of OOO UK ZhKS of Olenegorsk suspected of not paying more than 36 million rubles to municipal resource providing enterprise (boiler house) for the supplied heat energy containing signs of the crime under part 1 of article 201 of the RF Criminal Code (exceeding powers).

In addition the North Western Federal District Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee is investigating five criminal cases over crimes associated with economic activity of business entities, including electric power supplies. Among them two criminal cases over illegal obtaining rights for the property of OOO Sea specialized port Vitino (LLC) and ZAO Belomorskaya Neftebaza (Belomorsk petroleum storage depot) (CJSC). One criminal case over a loan of 180 thousand rubles got illegally by the CEOs of OOO Rioni (LLC). One of the criminal cases was launched against deputy of the Murmansk Region Duma of 5<sup>th</sup> convocation M. Nefyodov over stealing of oil products belonging to OOO TD ResursInvest (LLC) and worth over 116 million rubles. A criminal case is also under investigation over abuse of official powers by CEOs of OOO UK ZhKS by not paying more than 52 million rubles for the services provided by state unitary enterprise Kandalakshavodokanal and considerable damage to the interests of the company.

Circumstances which are the subject of criminal investigation in a number of cases are regulated by international law as the materials mention foreign legal persons which are founders of OOO Sea specialized port Vitino and ZAO Belomorskaya Neftebaza (Belomorsk petroleum storage depot) and owners of the property of the enterprises. Moreover, members of the foreign companies are having legal proceedings in courts in Cyprus, England and the Netherlands concerning the property of Russian enterprises.

Investigation of the cases is continued. A number of complex expert examinations are planned including those involving specialists in the area of pricing and tariffs regulation at the wholesale electric power market.

Under investigation of a number of these cases Shubin will be checked on involvement in the crimes. Investigators believe that investigation of all these cases will be more complete and impartial, if they are investigated by one and the same investigating body.

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