Man held on suspicions of beating up a police officer



Moscow Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's investigative Committee continues investigating a criminal case over a crime under article 318 of the RF Criminal Code - use of violence against a police officer near the Matveyevsky market while he was trying to detain a man suspected of a rape.

We remind that investigators apprehended Khalimat Rasulova on suspicions of the crime. The suspect refused to testify, but her guilt is proved not only by the testimonies of witnesses, but a video showing how she beats up the police officer.

Today another suspect Magomed Rasulov born in 1979 has been detained. Investigators will ask the court to place Khalimat and Magomed Rasulov in custody.

During the investigation the actions of the attackers have been re-qualified under a more serious article 317 of the RF Criminal Code – encroachment on the life of a law-enforcement. The injury got by a police officer shows that the attackers were encroaching on his life and realized that their victim was a police officer.

At the moment investigators are carefully analyzing the video which clearly shows what happened

and all the involved persons. The video has already been filed to the law suit and most probably will be the main evidence in the court. Investigators are questioning the witnesses now and re going to qualify actions of all the persons present at the scene of incident.

The position of the Investigative Committee stays unchanged: police officers or agents of other law enforcement bodies, who have broken the law, are prosecuted independent of their ranks or past merits. But nobody has to have doubts that anybody who lifts one's hand against a law enforcement agent while they are on duty will also be punished independent of a social status, nationality, popularity or political views. And people should get used to that.

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