
Investigation of criminal case against perpetrator of contract murder of chief architect of Vsevolzhsky district Eduard Akopyan finished in Leningrad Region



The Leningrad Region investigating bodies of the Russia's Investigative Committee carry on investigating a criminal case into the murder of head of architecture and town building office of Vsevolzhsky municipal district.

A criminal case against a perpetrator 36-year-old Dmitry Baranov from Vyborg has been severed from this criminal investigation into a separate law suit. He is charged with a crime under paragraph "h" of part 2 of article 105 of the RF Criminal Code (murder for hire), part 1 of article 222 (illegal purchase and storage of firearms).

According to investigators, in the evening of 29 January 2013 Akopyan arrived at the Vsevsad office to meet his wife after work. Baranov had tracked Akopyan and was waiting him outside the office located in house No 184 in Koltushsky Shosse in Vsevolzhsk, Leningrad Region. When Akopyan was leaving the office the defendant shot him in head and fled the scene. Baranov was apprehended at the airport before leaving Russia. It has been found that the accused acted on hire, he studied the victim's day schedule, time and routs of his movements.

During the investigation Baranov confessed to the crime and requested his case to be tried in a special order.

The investigators have gathered enough evidence and the case against Baranov has been forwarded for the indictment to be approved and further to be sent to a court to be tried on the merits.

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