
In Saint-Petersburg criminal investigation launched against citizen of Poland suspected of unsafe services in Waterville water park



Saint-Petersburg investigating bodies of the Russia’s Investigative Committee have launched a criminal case against 43-year-old citizen of the Republic of Poland Lidia Mirosława Vishnevskaya suspected of the crime under paragraph “c” of part 2 of article 238 of the RF Penal Code (rendering services not meeting safety requirements).

According to investigators, Vishnevskaya while being the general manager of the Pribaltiyskaya hotel (Waterville water park) violated the requirements of the RF law “On protection of consumer rights”. She rendered services, which did not meet the requirements for health and life safety of consumers, including underage ones. As a result on 7 June 2012 a 7 year-old boy drowned at the swimming pool in the water park.

Immediately after the death of the child investigators launched a criminal investigation into signs of the crime under article 109 of the RF Penal Code (death by negligence).

In addition, on 26 March 2008, people got sick or poisoned in the same water park as a result of violation of sanitary and epidemiological rules. 194 people were held victims, 111 of them underage. Court sentenced Vyacheslav Kuksov, head of technical department, to a fine of 70 thousand rubles.

A lot of investigating operations have been conducted during the said investigations, including over 100 complex expert examinations in Saint-Petersburg and Moscow. All the operations helped to get the information that the Waterville had provided services which did not meet safety requirements.

At present investigators of the Main Investigations Directorate, personnel of Saint-Petersburg Main Office of the Russian Interior Ministry, Saint-Petersburg Main Office of the Russian Emergencies Ministry, Saint-Petersburg Office of the Federal Service on customers' fights protection and human wellbeing surveillance and other state agencies are taking measures to find all the circumstances and causes of the crime and if there have been other facts of violation of the current laws.

During the probe the investigators of the Russia's Investigative Committee are going to give the toughest legal classification to actions (or omission) by the officials, responsible for safety of children in the water park.

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