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## Lawyer arrested in Saint-Petersburg on suspicion of heading criminal community



Today a court has granted the petition of the Northwestern Federal District Investigation Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee to take in custody 33-year-old lawyer Alexander Shved. He is suspected of the crime under part 1 of article 210 of the RF Penal Code (setting up a criminal community or heading such a community).

As it has been reported earlier, according to investigators, since 2008 members of the criminal community organized stealing of the money by illegal compensation of VAT from the RF budget worth 4 billion rubles on behalf of 39 legal persons. To make it look like legal economic activity the members of the community used over 75 legal persons registered on nominal directors. Investigators believe that Alexander Shved is one of the leaders of the criminal community.

Investigation is ongoing.

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