
Today investigators carrying out searches under investigation into violation of financing procedure of Alexey Navalny's election campaign



The Moscow Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee investigates a criminal case against deputy of Zyuzino district deputies council of Moscow Konstantin Yankauskas and businessmen Nikolai Lyaskin and Vladimir Ashurkov suspected of crimes under part 1 of article 141.1 and part 4 of article 159 of the RF Penal Code (violation of election campaign financing procedure, fraud, committed by an organized group on an especially massive scale).

In July 2013, Alexey Navalny ran for Moscow mayor. According to investigators, at the same period of time his close friends and comrades Yankauskas, Lyaskin and Ashurkov transferred 1 million rubles each to the Navalny's election account. Then in the Internet they posted an address to all users to replenish their on-line wallets allegedly for compensating the money put on Navalny's account and to support his political activity. The on-line wallets received over 10 million rubles. Some of the money was transferred by anonymous users both from Russian and abroad using foreign IP-addresses. The investigators have grounds to believe that Yankauskas, Lyaskin and Ashurkov stole

the money, despite their allegations that it had been raised for Navalny's political activity.

Searches are underway today in the suspects' residences. The investigators are confiscating objects and documents vital for the investigation.

The investigators have sent requests to tax bodies demanding inspections to establish income sources of the suspects and expenditure of the money raised for Navalny's campaign.

The investigation is ongoing to find if other people were involved in the crimes, the actions of the suspects will be classified considering the Tax Code.

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