
In Perm Territory five teenagers to stand trial for raping inmates of children's home



The Perm Territory investigating bodies of the Russia's Investigative Committee have finished investigating a criminal case against five underage inmates of a children's home. Depending on the role of each one in the crime, the teenagers are charged with two counts of a crime under paragraph "b" of part 4 of article 131 of the RF Penal Code (rape of a victim aged under 14 by a group of people in a preliminary conspiracy) and three counts of a crime under paragraph "a" of part 3 of article 131 (rape of an underage victim by a group of people in a preliminary conspiracy).

According to investigators, in the period between autumn 2012 and late October 2013 five underage inmates of a children's home aged between 14 and 17 multiple times, threatening with violence and using force to two underage inmates of the same facility and taking advantage of their helpless state, had sexual intercourse with the girls.

The law enforcement officials learnt about the crimes only in autumn 2013. The criminal investigation was launched immediately, with its progress and results especially controlled by the head of the Investigations Directorate and the Central Office of the Russia's Investigative Committee.

During the probe investigators questioned the victims, over 70 witnesses, ran 9 forensic analyses and face-to-face interrogations. There are 11 volumes of criminal files.

The investigators did everything possible to not only find out all the circumstances of the crime, but

to find and eliminate the reasons and conditions contributing to the crimes. As a result of a request filed by the head of the Investigations Directorate, three officials of the territorial Ministry of Social Development were subject to disciplinary punishment and another one was dismissed. The director of the children's home was dismissed and there is a criminal investigation ongoing, launched against her by the Perm Territory Investigations Directorate.

The investigators have gathered enough evidence, therefore the criminal case with the approved indictment has been sent to court to be tried on the merits.

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