

Court arrests Igor Kolomoysky in absentia



Today Basmanny District Court of Moscow has reviewed the motion filed by the Russia's Investigative Committee and in absentia ruled to remand Igor Kolomoysky in custody pending the trial. In the near future the Investigative Committee will give necessary orders to corresponding law enforcement bodies to locate the accused immediately and take him in custody.

During the probe the investigators have got evidence that Kolomoysky was involved in organizing such crimes as murder, use of prohibited means and methods of warfare, prevention journalists from their professional activity, kidnapping (part 3 of article 33, paragraphs "a", "b" "h", "g" and "k" of part 2 of article 105, part 3 of article 33, part 1 of article 356, part 3 of article 33, part 3 of article 144, part 3 of article 33, paragraph "a" of part 3 of 126 of the RF Penal Code). A warrant was issued to prosecute Kolomoysky as the accused. And though Kolomoysky did not pulled the trigger in person, did not killed civilians in Donbass or Russian journalists, but his arms are blood-stained up to his elbows for a long time already, and for all that he will have to answer sooner or later. Today, when we said our last goodbye to Channel One camera man Anatoly Klyan, who had been killed by Ukrainian soldiers, all of us were perfectly aware that we should blame his death on Kolomoysky. He

will have to answer for that death, as well as deaths of other Russian journalists, citizens of Odessa and Donbass. And from this day on, no matter how much he swaggers, he will go to bed and wake up with this in his mind.

On one of these days the Investigative Committee will send to a court files on arresting other accomplices in those crimes – Arsen Avakov and commander of Aydar battalion Sergey Melnichuk.

At present investigating operations are ongoing. The investigators have questioned over 4,000 people and 2,700 people have been found victims. Their statements confirm the version that Kolomoysky, Avakov, Melnichuk, as well as Ukrainian service men, armed members of the National Guard and militants of the Right Sector are involved in the said crimes.

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