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## **In Moscow Region head of Vidnoye and his former subordinate charged with extortion of bribe to stand trial**



The investigating bodies of Moscow Region Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee have finished investigating a criminal case against head of the town of Vidnoye and former head of consumer market and lease department of Vidnoye administration. They are charged with a crime under paragraphs "a", "b" and "c" of part 5 of article 290 of the RF Penal Code (extortion of a bribe on a large scale).

According to investigators, administration of Vidnoye regularly held weekend fairs organized by different businessmen. The accused extorted from one of them a bribe of 1 million rubles for issuing a permit on the fair. At first the two officials demanded 1 million 400 thousand rubles, but later the sum dropped to 1 million.

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On 25 August 2013, the head of consumer market and lease department of Vidnoye administration was held in a café while receiving 500 thousand rubles. The head of Vidnoye was arrested later.

The investigators have gathered enough evidence, so the case with the approved indictment will soon be sent to court to be tried on the merits.

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