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## **In Rostov Region former director of OOO Bingo-Boom to stand trial for illegal organization of gambling**



The Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee has finished an investigation in the city of Rostov-on-Don against former CEO of OOO Bingo-Boom Igor Talagayev. He is charged with a crime under paragraph "a" of part 2 of article 171.2 of the RF Penal Code (illegal organization of gambling).

According to investigators, in the period between 30 September 2011 and 14 February 2013, in the Southern Federal District, Talagaeyv ran OOO Bingo-Boom disguised as National Non-Governmental Lottery and organized gambling using gambling equipment outside the gambling area, and using telecommunication networks, including the Internet. In violation of Federal Law No 138 "On lotteries" the prize money was not collected from the sold bulletins with the same value and the sum at stake was not named. The guaranteed prize money, which is raffled off in any way is one of the main distinctions of a lottery opposed to gambling. The risk of the gambling ran by Bingo-Boom was that a gambler after they purchased the bulletin was able to join the next raffle-off of the abstract prize money after they additionally registered the bulletin on the site. Not knowing about the sum of the prize the person can count on if they win, but only looking at the raffling off they could have either lose a lot of money or got it. Participating Bingo-Boom lottery could have causes its clients to develop pathological thirst for gambling and addiction.

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As a result of Talagayev's criminal activity OOO Bingo-Boom got over 500 million rubles in illegal revenue.

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

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