
Sentence passed on accomplice in murder of resident of Pugachev, Saratov Region



A court has recognized the evidence gathered by the Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee sufficient to convict a 17-year-old accomplice in the murder of a resident of the town of Pugachev, Saratov Region Ruslan Marzhanov. He was found guilty of crimes under paragraphs "g" and "i" of part 2 of article 105 (murder out of hooliganism) and part 3 of article 30, paragraphs "g" and "i" of part 2 of article 105 of the RF Penal Code (attempted murder committed by a group of people out of hooliganism).

The court and investigators have found that, at night of 6 July 2013, near Golden barrel café in the town of Pugachev the teenager together with three adult accomplices acting in agreement provoked Marzhanov to a fight, during which the latter suffered 17 stabs with a scalpel. It was established that in May 2013, the accused and one of his adult accomplices attempted to kill another man using a knife in Pugachev. However, they failed to finish the crime, as it was prevented by one of the eye witnesses.

During the probe the investigators ran over 50 forensic analyses, including medical, DNA,

criminological using a polygraph, non-verbal and psycho-lingual, questioned over 170 people from the clients, staff of the café, residents of neighboring houses, police officers, doctors, taxi drivers, who had taken people to the café. The case is 30-volume thick.

Considering that the defendant is underage we cannot give away his name. The court has sentenced the young man to 9 years and 6 months to be served in a minimum-security penal colony.

As for his three accomplices the investigation against them has also been finished. At present the accused are reading the files. There are no doubts that there will be enough evidence for the court to convict those three, who are still enjoying the status of the accused, and punish them as adults unlike their underage accomplice.

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