In Dagestan officials of district administration and their accomplices to appear before court for stealing budget funds allocated for implementation of federal programs



North Caucasus Federal District Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee has finished investigating a criminal case against former head of Kumtorkalinsky District of Dagestan Abakar Khangizhiyev, president of construction, architecture and communal services committee of the district administration Sapiybula Akayev, top manager of an office of Alba of OOO EsidBank Commercial Bank Gadzha Adzhiyev, head of agriculture office of the said administration Umar Akayev, head of the village of Adzhidada of Kumtorkalinsky District Dzhalak Babatov, head of the village of Shamkhal-Yangi-Yurt of the same district Alpiyat Mamayeva. They are charged with a crime under part 4 of article 159 of the RF Penal Code (fraud). In addition, during the probe an official of the State Housing Inspectorate of Dagestan Magomed Magomedov, and officials of Kumtorkalinsky District administration Magomedali Magomedov, Magomedkamil

Aydemirov and Irbainkhali Guzelkhanov were arrested for forgery (part 2 of article 292 of the RF Penal Code).

According to investigators, the accused acted as an organized group led by head of municipality Kumtorkalinsky district of the Republic of Dagestan – chairman of the district deputies' assembly Ruslan Toturbiyev and based on a packet of knowingly forged documents stole 162 million rubles of budget funds allocated for implementation of program "Relocation of people from dangerous structures in the municipality of Kumtorkalinsky district" in 2011 and 2012. The money was cashed via a commercial bank controlled by Toturbiyev. Despite the fact that there are citizens living in dangerous structures in the district, nobody of them got new housing. Instead the members of the criminal group submitted to the Ministry of Building and Housing and Communal Services of Republic of Dagestan and Fund of Assistance and Reform of Housing and Communal Services of Russia lists of their relatives and friends allegedly living in dangerous structures. Moreover, they presented dilapidated outhouses and administrative buildings as dangerous structures to the Commission of the Fund of Assistance and Reform of Housing and Communal Services of Russia. In all, the members of the criminal group during implementation of the said programs cashed and stole through one of their subsidiary banks over 160 million rubles.

The investigators revealed that manager of joint-stock commercial bank OOO Esidbank (LLC) Gadzhi Adzhiyev used his position in accordance with the distribution of roles in the criminal group to ensure that the members of the group could get loans and cash in the bank (part of loans issued and stolen were later reimbursed by funds of budgets from different levels). In addition, as a member of inter-agency commission he went to the settlements in the district and showed the members of the commission ruins and outhouses, which were not houses under the threat of collapse. Adzhiyev also put obstacles in the way of preliminary investigation – he tackled the issues connected with the ceasing of criminal investigation, tried to force witnesses to change their testimonies, coordinated activity of the members of the organized group.

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

Head of the organized group – former head of Kumtorkalinsky District – chairman of the district deputies' assembly Toturbiyev escaped from investigation and has been put on a federal and international wanted list.

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