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## **Investigation against Director of supermarket Magnit who provoked conflict with survivor of Leningrad siege and was charged with arbitrariness and reckless homicide finished in St. Petersburg**



Saint-Petersburg Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee finished investigating the criminal case against Director of Magnit supermarket 43-year-old Olga Konyukhova charged with offenses under articles 109 and 230 of the RF Penal Code (arbitrariness, reckless homicide).

According to investigators, on 3 February 2015, at 02:52 PM, at Magnit supermarket (2/5 Shirokaya Street), Konyukhova was watching how a Leningrad siege survivor was picking goods and saw that the elderly woman paid 548.99 rubles for goods at the check out and three packs of butter worth 337.50 rubles were still in the trolley. Not having reasons to assume that the woman was going to

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commit a theft and understanding that she might suffer from chronic illnesses, Konyukhova did not offer her to pay for the butter and illegally disallowed her from doing this. With this, Konyukhova was accusing the woman of stealing goods in a harsh, negative and peremptory manner thus creating a stressful situation for the victim. Moreover, the accused personally and through instructions given to supermarket employees blocked the woman's way to the purchases she had already paid for and her bag that were in the trolley, thus illegally seizing the woman's personal property, which additionally aggravated the emotional impact on her. Konyukhova was not taking into account the fact that the woman was taking medications, her hands were trembling and her speech was getting slurred indicating strong emotions, high nervous excitement and the possibility of developing angina. Later Konyukhova called the police. Police officers took the victim to the department for further proceedings. On the same day, at 04:50 PM, the woman died of acute heart failure at the Kronshtadt District Police Office, which was a natural consequence of prolonged stress that had aggravated a chronic disease of the Leningrad siege survivor and caused the development of angina and a heart attack, and then her death .

Investigators collected sufficient evidence, so the criminal case has been sent for the approval of the indictment and subsequent submission to the court for consideration on the merits.

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