## In North Ossetia-Alania member of gang led by Aslan Gagiyev jailed



A court has recognized the evidence gathered by the North Caucasian Federal District Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee sufficient to convict Georgy Dzugutov, a member of a criminal community led by Aslan Gagiyev. He was found guilty of acrimes under part 1 of article 210 of the RF Penal Code (setting up a criminal community and membership in it), part 2 of article 209 (banditry), paragraphs "a", "g" and "h" of part 2 of article 105 (murder), part 3 of article 127 (illegal deprivation of freedom), part 3 of article 222 (illegal circulation of firearms).

The court and investigators have found that in 2007 Dzugutov joined the gang set up by Aslan Gagiyev in Moscow and North Ossetia-Alania. He coordinated the actions of the gang by getting orders from Gagiyev that it was necessary to kill someone and by passing the orders on to leaders of smaller gangs via secret communication. In addition, he was responsible for establishing stable liaison between different independent organized groups, developing plans and creating conditions for

the groups to commit crimes and organizing provision of medical aid to members of the gang.

With Dzugutov's active participation the gang committed following felonies: in 2011 in Moscow they killed former first deputy CEO of OAO Financial Leasing Compnay and president of the board of directors of WADAN YARDS shipbuilding company (Wismar, Germany) Andrey Burlakov; in 2012, on the eastern outskirt of the town of Alagir, North Ossetia-Alania they killed businessman Taymur Kadzayev; in the town of Vladikavkaz they killed businessman, owner of chain of stores Dzhungli Meladze; in January 2013, in a household located in Istra District, Moscow Region they illegally kept prisoner one of gang members marat Pliyev and killed him 5 days later; in the town of Ardon, North Ossetia-Alania they killed Tamerlan Sakamov; they killed businessman Valery Laliyev, gang member Alan Torchinov, deputy prosecutor of Promyshlenny District of Vladikavkaz Oleg Oziyev.

In addition, Dzugutov took part in illegal circulation of firearms, ammunition, explosives and explosive devices.

The court has sentenced Dzugutov to 15 years to be served in a maximum-security penal colony and a fine of 300 thousand rubles,

The criminal organization set up and led by Aslan Gagiyev started operation in 2004 and had over 50 members. The gang's specialty was contract murders. Gang members committed a number of celebrated murders in Moscow, Moscow Region and North Ossetia-Alania. By the present moment 9 gangsters have been sentenced to long terms in prison, leader of one of the smaller gangs Oleg Gagiyev has been sentenced to life imprisonment.

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