
Chief technologist of Perekryostok firm and her accomplice held in Moscow on suspicion of commercial bribery



The Moscow Main Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee is investigating a criminal case against chief gastronomy technologists of ZAO Perekryostok Olga Parinova and her husband Sergey Syromyatnikov. They are suspected of a crime under paragraph "b" of part 4 of article 204 of the RF Penal Code (commercial bribery).

According to investigators, between May 2014 and 14 September 2015, Parinova and Syromyatnikov, who had also worked in distribution networks, demanded from representatives of companies selling Russian-made food at least 36 million rubles for getting their goods on the shelves of Perekryostok and Karusel supermarkets. On 14 September 2015, the suspects were detained by the police when they were getting part of the sum of 3 million rubles.

At the present time, a set of investigative and search operations are underway to find out all the circumstances of the crime, including those contributing to violation of the law "On the basics of the state regulation of trade in the Russian Federation" and unreasonable limitation of equal access of Russian goods to the shelves of large networks. The suspects are in detention. Charges and restraint

are expected soon.

The problem of relationship between Russian manufacturers of foods and representatives of distribution networks has existed for some years now. It's no secret that very often Russian manufacturers can get their production in networks is possible only through large bribes. Maybe, this is why the prices on food and expired goods in our supermarkets are so high. Today, when there are sanctions in place, it seems that Russian manufacturers can raise their heads and become stronger at the market, but they have such hucksters (there is no other word for them) on their way, who don't see anything except for their own profit. I believe that this criminal case will be a good signal for those who still make use of extortion in this area. But if this lesson won't teach them anything, the Russian Emergencies Ministry together with other law enforcement, controlling and supervising bodies is going to make it right. I think that Russian citizens, who want to buy quality, diverse, fresh and cheap products will support this. This is why I urge manufacturers of food products to report such cases of extortion to the police.

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