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## **Guilty sentence passed on 2012 ATR-72 plane crash at Roshchino airport of Tyumen killing 33**



A court has recognized the evidence gathered by the investigating bodies of the Ural Transport Investigations Directorate of the Russia's Investigative Committee sufficient to convict shiftman Anatoly Petrochenko and aircraft mechanic of OOO YUTair-Technic Andrey Pisarev and to stop the investigation against the captain of the aircraft Sergey Antsin who was killed in the crash. They were found guilty of a crime under part 3 of article 263 of the RF Criminal Code (violation of safety and operation rules of air transport entailing by negligence death of two or more people).

According to investigators, on 2 April 2012, an ATR-72 plane of OAO YUTair Airlines travelling from Tyumen to Surgut took off from the Roshchino airport in the city of Tyumen and crashed within 1.5 km off the runway near the village of Gorkovka, Tyumen district, Tyumen Region. 33 people were killed in the crash and 10 more injured.

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The immediate cause of the crash was the decision of the pilot to take off though there was snow and ice cover on the plane formed during its stop at night of 2 April 2012, failure by the mechanic to treat the plane in order to prevent it from being covered with ice while getting ready for takeoff and without proper supervision from the shiftman.

There have been over 50 expert examinations run during the probe. They include forensic medical ones, DNA tests, explosion technical, phototechnical, handwriting, comprehensive and commission forensic medical analyses and an aviation technical examination one.

Over 150 witnesses and 60 victims have been questioned. Civil actions were filed having both the accused and OAO YUTAir Airlines and OOO YUTAir-Technic as defendants. The case has 138 volumes.

The court has sentenced Petrochenko and Pisarev to 5 years and 1 month to be served in a penal settlement, the case against Sergey Antsin was finished due to his death.

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