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Investigation into extortion of millions of zloty from the Court of Appeals in Kraków continued

Today, the CBA officers have searched directors' offices in seven courts: the Court of Appeals in Wrocław, District Courts in Kielce, Tarnów and Nowy Sącz, and Regional Courts in Oświęcim, Chrzanów and Zakopane. These are the CBA's activities in the investigation into corruption, property misappropriation, mismanagement on a massive scale, extortion of millions of zloty from the Court of Appeals in Kraków.

As reported previously, the officers of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau in Rzeszów detained 5 persons, including the Director of the Court of Appeals in Kraków Andrzej P., the Chief Accountant of the Court Marta K., former director of the Judiciary Purchase Centre Marcin B., and two businessmen. They all faced allegations. Four persons have been remanded in custody.

The findings of the CBA investigators and the prosecutors indicate that in the past few years the Court has been webbed with companies which were related socially, by capital and by family with the Court Director and the Director of the Judiciary Purchase Centre, accomplishing the main bogus contracts for services, analysis, and elaborations. There has been no evidence found that such analysis or elaborations have been created. There are no documents in the Court of Appeals in Kraków which would evidence the implementation of the contracts concluded.

The investigators have estimated that as a result of the criminal procedure, several dozen million zloty have been extorted from the budget of the Court of Appeals in Kraków. The investigation is being carried out in its entirety by the Regional Office of the CBA in Rzeszów, under the supervision of the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Rzeszów.

The case is in progress. Further detentions are possible.

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