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## Joint CBA and KAS operations - 45 persons detained

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Over 600 companies suspected of involvement in the circulation of fictitious invoices. 45 persons detained during joint operations of the CBA and the KAS (National Tax Administration) conducted under the supervision of the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Warsaw.

By order of the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Warsaw, officers of the CBA Regional Office in Kraków and the Mazovian Customs and Tax Office have detained 45 persons as part of a joint investigation. More than 90 residential premises, companies and places where financial and accounting documentation was stored have been searched. Over 200 officers took part in the operation, which was carried out on the territory of several voivodships.

The detained persons were responsible for organising and leading the circulation of fictitious VAT invoices and using inaccurate invoices. Operating since 2012, the group has created a network of companies. At present, approximately 600 entities involved in the disclosed criminal offence have been identified. Fictitious invoices were issued in exchange for financial gain and in order to reduce public law liabilities. They documented unprocessed transactions of purchase and sale of services (including transport, construction, IT) and commercial goods.

At the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Warsaw, the detainees heard charges including the so-called VAT crime, participation in criminal activities of an organised crime group, and using fraudulent invoices. By court decision, five persons have been remanded in custody. Non-custodial preventive measures have been applied against the other detainees.

Due to the developing and dynamic nature of the investigation, the prosecutor's office

does not exclude further detentions in this case.

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