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CBA statement

Media release on securing medical records by CBA officers

Due to reports appearing in the media space regarding activities carried out by the CBA in a gynaecological surgery in Szczecin, the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau (CBA) states:

As part of an ongoing investigation involving corruption offences, CBA officers uncovered materials indicating an ongoing practice of profiteering from the doctor's making available to patients substances that could endanger their life and health. The information obtained showed that these substances caused a strong reaction in the body and were also made available to female patients who were minors, including those under the age of 15.

Based on the aforementioned information, the prosecutor supervising the investigation issued an order to search the doctor's office and seize the items and instructed the CBA to implement the order without delay. In the prosecutor's opinion, the failure to immediately secure the medical records risked the loss of evidence.

Thus, it should be noted that the participation of CBA officers in the activities carried out was incidental, resulted from the concern to secure the proper course of the proceedings, and was strictly connected with the fact of conducting the main activities in the investigation of corruption offences.

On the site of the conducted activities, under the provisions of the law, CBA officers, without prior familiarisation with the content of the documentation covered by medical secrecy, secured the indicated material by placing it in the so-called safe bags and then handed over the secured documentation to the prosecutor's office.

The described activities were conducted with the participation of the Voivodship Pharmaceutical Inspector, and the employees of the medical practice, including the

attending doctor, did not raise any objections as to the manner, legitimacy or legality of the search.

After the activities were completed, the prosecutor decided to exclude the case related to the secured medical documentation for separate proceedings, which, in accordance with the material jurisdiction, were transferred to the Voivodeship Police Headquarters in Szczecin to be conducted.

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