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Further detainees in a case of credit fraud to the detriment of Plus Bank S.A.

Officers of the CBA Regional Office in Warsaw detained six persons, including presidents and former presidents of companies that had obtained multi-million zloty loans based on unreliable documents. The investigation into multimillion-dollar loan extortion to the detriment of Plus Bank S.A. is supervised by the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Poznań.

A multi-pronged investigation and damage exceeding PLN 200 million

The evidence gathered in the ongoing pre-trial investigation carried out by officers of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau indicates abuse and acting to the detriment of Plus Bank S.A. that occurred between September 24, 2014, and March 29, 2018, in Warsaw and other locations. In 2019, officers of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau detained eight persons in this case, including the bank's director, on suspicion of causing property damage and granting a loan for the purchase of an exhibition centre, using loan collateral not allowed by law.

According to the investigators' findings, the value of the property damage caused to the property of Plus Bank S.A. has been estimated at more than PLN 200 million.

The scope of the ongoing investigation also includes defrauding the State Treasury of an undue VAT refund in excess of PLN 38 million as well as money laundering.

Detentions in Mazovia and Pomerania

As part of the procedural activities carried out, evidence was collected which constituted the grounds for issuing decisions on presenting charges to another 6 persons. On Tuesday (25 July 2023), officers of the CBA Regional Office in Warsaw

detained 6 persons and searched 7 locations in Warsaw, Otwock Poviat and Gdańsk. The detainees are presidents and former presidents of companies that obtained multimillion zloty investment loans, mortgage loans and working capital loans using fraudulent statements and documents that influenced the obtaining of additional funds. To gain financial advantages, the suspects abused the powers that resulted from their functions and areas of competence.

As a result of searches carried out at the places of residence of the detained persons, electronic media in the form of mobile phones and laptops were secured as well as funds in the amount of EUR 6,600.00 and PLN 20,000.00

Charges of financial fraud and abuse of trust

The detainees were taken to the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Poznań, where they faced charges of credit fraud and acting to the detriment of Plus Bank S.A.

On 25 July 2023, the public prosecutor applied non-custodial preventive measures against the detainees in the form of property sureties in the total amount exceeding PLN 100,000.00, police supervision and bans on leaving the country combined with the withholding of passports or a ban on issuing thereof.

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