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# Another Person Detained in Investigation into Irregularities at RARS

Officers from the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau have detained Dominik B., who was charged by the prosecutor with participation in an organized criminal group and money laundering. The case involves irregularities at the Government Agency for Strategic Reserves. The investigation is being conducted by the Regional Office of the CBA in Rzeszów, under the supervision of the Silesian Branch of the Department for Organized Crime and Corruption of the National Prosecutor's Office in Katowice.

On June 12, 2025, in Warsaw, officers from the Regional Office of the CBA in Rzeszów detained Dominik B., one of the representatives of companies that signed contracts with RARS during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Investigation into Irregularities at RARS

The multi-faceted investigation, led by the Regional Office of the CBA in Rzeszów under the supervision of the Silesian Branch of the Department for Organized Crime and Corruption of the National Prosecutor's Office in Katowice, concerns abuse of authority and failure to perform duties by representatives of RARS. The investigation focuses on irregularities resulting from misuse of regulations under the Strategic Reserves Act, preferential treatment of selected business entities, and approval of inflated prices for goods — including generators, protective masks, and other products used to counter the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Entities represented by Dominik B. were among the beneficiaries of these practices.

#### Inflated Prices and Fake Contracts

Evidence collected in the case indicates that Dominik B. instructed Chinese suppliers to inflate the prices of COVID-related equipment delivered to RARS and signed fictitious contracts with these same Chinese companies. Based on those contracts, a portion of the inflated payments was returned to him under the guise of supposed remuneration. As a result of criminal collusion with RARS officials, a number of contracts were signed, under which entities represented by Dominik B. received at least PLN 114 million from RARS.

## Charges and Pre-trial Detention

Dominik B. has been charged with five offenses, including: participating in an organized criminal group (Article 258 §1 of the Penal Code), collaborating in the abuse of power by public officials representing RARS (Article 231 §2 in conjunction with Article 21 §2), and money laundering (Article 299 §§1 and 5).

The suspect has not admitted to the charges and has provided extensive explanations. The court fully agreed with the prosecutor's motion and imposed a preventive measure in the form of pre-trial detention for a period of three months.

### Assets secured and further actions in the case

The prosecutor secured funds accumulated in Dominik B.'s bank accounts, worth over PLN 3.8 million.

To date, 14 individuals have been charged in connection with this investigation, including former RARS President Michał K. and three other agency officials.

Further detentions are planned in the case.

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