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CBA and KAS Detained Four Individuals

Officers of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau detained four individuals suspected of participating in an organized criminal group. The operation is the result of an investigation into the issuance of fraudulent VAT invoices. The investigation is supervised by the District Prosecutor's Office in Ostrów Wielkopolski.

On 9–10 September 2025, officers of the Regional Office of the CBA in Poznań, in cooperation with officers of the Greater Poland Customs and Tax Office (KAS), detained two women and two men who, as part of an organized criminal group, were issuing fictitious VAT invoices. Officers searched 37 locations, including the residences of the detainees, company headquarters, and accounting offices in Kalisz and the Kalisz district. Extensive financial and accounting documentation, computer equipment, and mobile phones were secured.

State Treasury Losses

Officers of the Regional Office of the CBA in Poznań, together with KAS officers, are conducting a multi-threaded investigation into VAT fraud committed by a network of business entities. As part of this criminal scheme, these entities circulated and recorded fraudulent VAT invoices on a large scale. Some of the entities did not conduct any business activity at all, but merely issued and circulated VAT invoices that did not reflect actual economic transactions. Preliminary findings indicate that the value of the fictitious invoices amounts to approximately PLN 35 million. The State Treasury's losses due to tax evasion are estimated at over PLN 8 million.

Charges and Preventive Measures

The detainees were brought before the District Prosecutor's Office in Ostrów

Wielkopolski, where they were charged with, among other things, participation in an organized criminal group, issuing and using fictitious VAT invoices, providing false information in tax returns, and tax fraud.

By court decision, one of the suspects was placed in temporary detention for three months. Against the remaining suspects, non-custodial preventive measures were applied, including police supervision, financial sureties, bans on leaving the country, and prohibitions on contacting specific individuals.

Ongoing Investigation

This is the fourth operation in the case. Further procedural actions are planned.

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