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CBA Detains Four Entrepreneurs

Officers from the Central Anticorruption Bureau have detained four entrepreneurs in the Masovian and Łódź Voivodeships. The multifaceted investigation into the use of fraudulent VAT invoices is being supervised by the District Prosecutor's Office in Warsaw.

On 14 October 2025, officers of the CBA Regional Office in Warsaw detained four entrepreneurs (one woman and three men) operating in the services sector. The detainees allegedly used fictitious VAT invoices for tax settlements. CBA officers carried out operations at the detainees' places of residence and secured accounting documentation.

Large-Scale Tax Fraud

The Regional Office of the CBA in Warsaw is conducting an investigation into tax fraud, false statements in VAT returns, and the use of fraudulent invoices by specific business entities. Findings from the preparatory proceedings indicate that between 2019 and 2022, an organized criminal group issued fictitious VAT invoices that did not reflect real economic transactions.

State Treasury Losses Estimated at PLN 34 Million

Fraudulent VAT invoices were used in tax settlements submitted in VAT-7 declarations and JPK_VAT files. Dozens of business entities were involved in the scheme, simulating the trade of goods and services to obtain undue VAT refunds and reduce their tax liabilities.

As a result of the criminal activity, the losses to the State Treasury from underpaid tax liabilities were estimated at PLN 34 million.

Preventive Measures

The detainees were brought to the District Prosecutor's Office in Warsaw, where they were charged with, among other things, the use of fraudulent invoices, submission of false tax declarations, and tax fraud. The prosecutor imposed preventive measures on three of the suspects, including police supervision, a travel ban, and a ban on contacting certain other suspects.

The Investigation Is Ongoing

This is the 16th operation carried out as part of the ongoing, extensive preparatory proceedings. Since the beginning of the investigation, 68 people have been detained, and the prosecutor has brought a total of 169 charges. Further procedural actions are planned.

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