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A million-zlotys extortions of subsidies from PARP. Company's CEOs detained

Agents from the Regional Office of the CBA in Rzeszów detained 4 people from the top management of the Mielec joint stock company from the plastic products industry. They tried to extort over PLN 27.7 million subsidy from the Polish Agency for Enterprise Development.

Among those detained by the CBA are Robert Ch. co-owner and current president of the company's board, former CEOs Łukasz M. and Tadeusz S. and Jerzy B. - former commercial proxy and a member of the supervisory board.

Investigators determined that in the period 2013/2014, the company's representatives tried to extort over PLN 27.7 million from the Polish Agency for Enterprise Development for - according to them - a highly specialized project for the production of aircraft structures. The submitted application for this multi-million grant attested untruth, contained unreliable information about participation in the implementation of the project, among others, well-known aviation companies, polytechnics, university and a number of other scientific and research institutions.

Despite this and unreliable data on the costs of R & D works and the authentic value of the project, a fictitious application was submitted to PARP and based on it at the beginning of 2014, nearly 10 million zlotys were paid in two tranches.

The CBA agents also determined, that the suspect, former president Łukasz M. tried to extort from the bank a credit approval regarding the bank's declaration for granting an investment loan in the amount of PLN 30 million.

The CBA agents searched the company's headquarters and accounting office. Detainees will hear charges in the Silesian Terrain Division of the Department for Organized Crime and Corruption of the National Prosecutor's Office in Katowice.

