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## Fictitious VAT invoices for 20 million. Detained businessmen from Wólka Kosowska and Tarnobrzeg

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Agents from the CBA's Regional Office in Łódź detained another four people - two businessmen of Vietnamese origin operating in the textile industry in Wólka Kosowska, the president of the trade group from Tarnobrzeg and a middleman who transported "dirty" money. Detainees will hear charges in the District Prosecutor's Office in Łódź.

Investigative findings indicate that the F. and D. companies conducted by detained businessmen of Vietnamese origin issued fictitious invoices for the amount of at least 16 million 400 thousand zł.

The collected evidence also shows, that only in the two months of 2016 the Tarnobrzeg trade group headed by the detained president purchased fictitious VAT invoices from other companies (than those directed by those detained today) for the amount of approx. 3 million zł to deplete the receivables due for tax on goods.

These amounts may increase, activities are ongoing. The CBA officials are searching apartments of detainees, and in accountancy offices they are securing accounting records.

The CBA agents secured at two businessmen from Warsaw suburbs an off-road vehicle car with an estimated value of 700,000 PLN and cash in the amount of 55 thousand euro.

Another detainee is a middleman, informally associated with the Warsaw temporary work agency. The man in this procedure was responsible for receiving and transporting money from crimes. In February this year CBA agents detained the

president and vice president of a large temporary work agency. The findings of the CBA indicate that the detainees led to the extortion of the tax refund of great value - over 30 million PLN, and within the organized criminal group, through the system of companies and transfers, they "laundered" over 161 million zlotys - proceeds from crime.

To this day, in this investigation, allegations regarding, among others, participation in years 2014-2017 in an organized criminal group, were made against 33 suspects: middlemen, helpers and company representatives. The group aimed at committing crimes involving fictitious turnover of textile goods and issuing unreliable VAT invoices.

In the last week of March this year, agents from the CBA detained a businessman of Turkish origin operating in the textile industry, including in Wólka Kosowska. Investigative findings indicate that in 2016 - 2017 he purchased VAT invoices attesting the untruth amounting to over 2.5 million PLN.

The officers of the Central Anticorruption Bureau conducting the proceeding still do not rule out further detentions and extension of the list of charges in these investigations.

