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More people detained by the CBA officers from Łódź. This time, apart from fictitious invoices, we are dealing with money laundering and participation in an organized criminal group

Money laundering of over 8 million zł, fictitious trade in goods and links with an organized criminal group. Two persons detained by the CBA were involved in this swindling. The detentions took place in Łódź. The CBA agents during the investigation determined that one of the detainees is a board member of the companies - dummy companies. He had the task of withdrawing money from ATMs that had previously been deposited on the accounts of these companies in exchange for a fictitious purchase of textiles. Another person was looking for buyers for invoices documenting this fictitious turnover of textiles, and was also involved in transferring funds between the recipient and the issuer of fictitious invoices. This person also participated in the fictitious turn of clothing from Ukraine. The CBA officers searched the detainees' apartments and secured the evidence. The suspects were transferred to the District Prosecutor's Office in Łódź, where they will be charged.

Detentions in the textile industry have been ongoing since the beginning of the year. In March this year the agents from the CBA detained a businessman of Turkish origin operating in the textile industry, among others, in Wólka Kosowska. Investigative findings indicate that in years 2016 - 2017 he acquired VAT invoices attesting the untruth for the amount of over 2.5 million zł.

At the beginning of April this year - agents from the CBA Regional Office in Łódź detained four more people, including two businessmen of Vietnamese origin working in the textile industry in Wólka Kosowska. According to investigative findings, companies run by detained businessmen of Vietnamese origin issued fictitious invoices for the amount of at least 16 million 400 thousand zł.

To this day, in this investigation, charges regarding - among others, in the years 2014-2017, participation in an organized criminal group were brought against 36 suspects: intermediaries, helpers and companies' representatives. The officers of the Central Anticorruption Bureau conducting the proceeding do not rule out further detentions and extension the list of charges in these investigations.

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