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Over PLN 1.6 billion in damage to the bank's assets, 93 suspects

The Prosecutor's Office sent an indictment to the court ending a multi-thread investigation of mismanagement at SK Bank. The case was carried out by the officers of the Regional Office of the CBA in Katowice.

The Regional Prosecutor's Office in Warsaw sent an indictment to the District Court in Warsaw in connection with an investigation regarding mismanagement at the Cooperative Bank of Craft and Agriculture in Wołomin (trade name SK Bank). This is the sixth and final indictment in this case. It covered 93 suspects who were charged with 1256 allegations, including damages to the bank's property worth over PLN 1,626,000,000.

The investigation was initiated on 28 April 2015 as a result of a notification submitted by the Chairman of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority. The reason for submitting the notification were the results of the control carried out by the Office of the Polish Financial Supervision Authority, which justified the possibility of committing a crime by the Management Board of Spółdzielczy Bank Rzemiosła i Rolnictwa in Wołomin. In April 2016, the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Warsaw entrusted this investigation to the Regional Office of the CBA in Katowice to conduct it in whole. The files of the pending proceedings also included a notification from the receivership board of Spółdzielczy Bank Rzemiosła i Rolnictwa in Wołomin about the possibility of committing a crime by the former Management Board of the Bank, as well as materials from the proceedings conducted by the Regional Office of the CBA in Katowice regarding irregularities at Bank Spółdzielczy in Nadarzyn.

In the course of the conducted proceedings 120 persons were charged in total, 110 of which were detained by the officers of the Regional Office of the CBA in Katowice. The courts ordered against 40 suspects temporary arrest. Until now, former President of the Management Board of SK Bank Jan B., former director of one of the branches

Wiesław W. and entrepreneur from the development industry Sławomir D. are in custody.

For future penalties and penalty measures in the form of an obligation to remedy the damage, the assets of suspects worth approximately PLN 50 million were secured.

In the course of the entire investigation, the allegations concerned, among others, granting loans worth over PLN 2 billion in a non-economic manner, as a result of which damage was caused to the bank's assets with a value exceeding PLN 1,750,000,000.

In addition, the charges are related to acting to the detriment of 60 bondholders, who lost PLN 75 million, for which they took up SK Bank bonds, as well as 364 persons who lost their savings deposited at SK Bank in the amount exceeding the amount covered by the Bank Guarantee Fund in the amount of over 385 PLN million.



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