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Money laundering - three persons detained

Further persons detained by the officers of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau in the course of an investigation into the activities of a criminal group which exposed the State Treasury to a depletion of over PLN700 million due from VAT receipts. This time, it relates to money laundering.

The officers of the Regional Office of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau detained three men running their own businesses. The activities were coordinated on the territory of the Dolnośląskie (Lower Silesia), Wielkopolskie (Greater Poland), and Zachodniopomorskie (Western Pomerania) voivodships. It appears that the criminal activities were carried out by the use of the detainee's companies and the shell companies which they set up. The practice aimed to introduce the money obtained from crime to legal economic circulation. The group formed a network of companies which accepted their own bills and then passed on the money obtained from the depletion of VAT receipts. The investigators' findings indicate that the loss may amount to PLN30 million.

Today, the detainees will be taken to the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Białystok, where they will hear charges of money laundering, among others.

The officers of the CBA searched the detainee's places of residence as well as the premises of related business entities.

Today's activities are the continuation of the activities connected with the so-called fuel mafia, acting in Poland in the years 2013 - 2016. In November 2019, the CBA officers detained 9 persons in relation to this case.

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