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300 officers and disruption of an international criminal group

18 persons detained, searches of over 60 places, and disruption of an organised criminal group - this is the result of a few-month long work of the CBA officers. The group has transferred at least PLN 8.6 billion abroad via a national payment institution.

The officers of the Regional Office of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau in Warsaw, in cooperation with the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Warsaw, have been carrying out proceedings concerning the activities of an organised criminal group. The investigators' findings indicate that the group has transferred at least PLN 8.6 billion abroad via a national payment institution. The funds are supposed to come from unpaid or partially paid taxes. The group acted in 26 companies managed by citizens of Poland, Vietnam, China, and Ukraine, who ran their business activities mainly at Wólka Kosowska. The suspects could have acted in Poland from 2016 to 2019.

Current investigation findings indicate that the companies did not submit their financial statements to the National Court Register (KRS) or they demonstrated income and turnover incomparable to the amounts transferred.

The loss suffered by the State Treasury, in the form of unpaid VAT and CIT, is being calculated.

Today, the first operations have been carried out. Almost 300 officers of the CBA, supported by the Border Guard and the Military Police, detained 18 persons, including the president of a national payment institution and five persons managing the company. The other detainees dealt with money transfers.

After the completion of the activities, all detainees will be taken to the Prosecutor's Office, where they will hear charges. Simultaneously, over 60 places of residence and

business premises are being searched.

The investigation is diverse and still expanding.

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