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A man recruited people to take part in a scam - he has been detained by the CBA

Another person acting as part of an organized VAT fraud group detained by the CBA. State Treasury losses are estimated at - at least PLN 29 million.

Officers of the Regional Office of the CBA in Katowice have detained another person who acted in an organized criminal group operating in Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Bulgaria, Austria and Germany. Detention constitutes another stage of realization of a multi-threaded investigation initiated on CBA's own materials. So far, 28 people have heard allegations in the case.

The proceeding concerns a dirty business related to carousel transactions, i.e. fictitious transactions in intra-community trade in steel products, the purpose of which was to swindle a VAT refund. The findings of the CBA investigators indicate that the members of the group led to an unfavourable disposal of the property of the State Treasury, by misleading employees of tax offices. Everything indicates that people acting on behalf of companies submitted unreliable VAT returns, which resulted in an undue refund. The State Treasury losses due to non-paid tax that have been established so far as a result of this group's activities are estimated at - at least PLN 29 million.

The man detained by the CBA today is a person with criminal record. His task, as part of the group's activities, was to recruit people who registered companies on themselves that traded in steel products in 2012-2013.

The detainee will be taken to the headquarters of the District Prosecutor's Office in Katowice, where he will hear allegations of acting in an organized criminal group, issuing unreliable VAT invoices documenting fictitious economic events and money laundering.

The case is developmental.



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