

A “helping hand” for millions in bribes

A new CBA investigation. Seven detainees. Millions in bribes and invoking influence in public institutions.

The CBA Regional Office in Rzeszów, together with the Silesian Local Division of the National Prosecutor's Office, has been carrying out an investigation into the operation of an organised crime group in 2020. The investigation findings indicate that the group invoked its influence in public institutions, including law enforcement agencies and State Treasury companies, and undertook to mediate in the settlement of cases in exchange for financial advantages and promises thereof.

In connection with the investigation, the CBA officers have detained seven people in the Mazowieckie and Łódzkie Voivodeships, including three entrepreneurs.

Four detainees have been charged with participation in criminal activities of an organised crime group aimed at committing crimes of paid protection and accepting financial advantages worth at least PLN 1 million 300 thousand, and promises to grant financial benefits amounting to several tens of millions of zlotys.

The businessmen faced charges of giving financial advantages in exchange for unlawful settling of their matters.

The CBA officers also searched places of residence and business premises belonging to the detainees and the members of their families. Extensive evidence has been gathered, including documentation and electronic data carriers, which will now be analysed.

At the prosecutor's request, the court applied a three-month custody against six of the detainees.

This is the first operation in this investigation. Further procedural activities are being planned.

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