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Tenders for bribes

Two persons involved in corrupt practices related to the implementation of public contracts for the benefit of a drilling company have been detained by the CBA.

The officers of the CBA Regional Office in Poznań have been conducting proceedings, under the supervision of the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Poznań, concerning the suspicion of accepting financial gains by the employees of a company dealing with the drilling of boreholes. The investigators' findings indicate that in the years 2016-2018 they accepted "gratuities" in exchange for, among other things, the abuse of powers granted to them and the failure to comply with their obligations which could cause financial damage to the entity.

These are not the CBA's first activities in this case. In March 2019, five individuals were detained, including the director of the company's Commercial Department, the company's sales specialist, and three entrepreneurs.

Further activities and evidence gathered allowed for the detention of two persons involved in this case, including a representative of a company based in the United Arab Emirates and a former employee of the company. Both detainees are suspected of involvement in corrupt practices. According to the investigators' findings, at the turn of 2016 and 2017, the representative of the company based in the United Arab Emirates handed over more than PLN 750 thousand in financial advantages to the director of the Commercial Department, who was earlier detained in the case, in return for ensuring the settlement of tenders in favour of his company. The evidence gathered in the case indicates that the bribes were transferred to the bank accounts of companies set up for this purpose, as payment for alleged services that had not been commissioned and performed.

The second detainee participated in the practice by disclosing important information on tender procedures.

Both detained men heard charges in the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Poznań. The prosecutor applied non-custodial preventive measures against them, including a ban on contacts with the suspects, bail, a ban on leaving the country, and police supervision.

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