

## Reverse drug distribution chain. Further detentions

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The officers of the Regional Office of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau in Białystok have detained two persons connected with an organised crime group committing crimes within the so-called reverse drug distribution chain. The activities were carried out in the Mazowieckie and Śląskie Voivodships.

The detained persons were associated with an entity which, on the one hand, ran a pharmaceutical wholesale warehouse and, on the other, a fictitious medical centre. The entity in question was one of the links in the so-called reverse drug distribution chain, through which drugs illegally purchased from pharmacies throughout the country were finally sold outside Poland. One of such target countries was the Czech Republic.

In the course of the investigation, it was established that in the years 2018-2019, the criminal group within which the detainees operated purchased medicines and medicinal products worth at least PLN 3.3 million.

At the headquarters of the Podlasie Local Division for Organised Crime and Corruption of the National Prosecutor's Office in Białystok, the detainee heard charges, including participation in criminal activities of an organised crime group. The case is in progress and further activities are to be expected in the nearest future.

This is another operation in this case, so far 7 other persons have been detained. The total value of medicines illegally purchased by the group amounts to over PLN 7.5 million.

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