

## Further detentions and charges in VAT extortion

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VAT extortion of over PLN 10 million - this is the "outcome" of the activity of two persons detained by the CBA in the case conducted jointly with the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Białystok.

The officers of the Regional Office of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau in Katowice have detained two persons from Śląskie and Małopolskie voivodships as part of the investigation carried out under the supervision of the Regional Prosecutor's Office in Białystok. The detainees held positions of directors in companies involved in issuing unreliable invoices and extorting VAT.

The tax extortion took place in 2018. The investigators' findings indicate that the companies dealing in metal products issued invoices which did not reflect actual economic events. The activities of the suspects exposed the State Treasury to losses in the tax on goods and services to the amount of over PLN 10 million.

In the prosecutor's office, the detainees faced charges of attestation of an untruth in VAT invoices and participation in tax fraud. The prosecutor applied non-custodial preventive measures against them.

So far, in the course of the investigation, 13 persons have been charged. The case is developing, and further detentions are possible.

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