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Entrepreneurs from Greater Poland detained

Hundreds of fraudulent invoices, tax losses of nearly PLN 2.5 million; CBA and KAS officers detained four people who participated in the criminal practice of introducing fraudulent VAT invoices into the market. The investigation is supervised by the District Prosecutor's Office in Ostrów Wielkopolski.

On 17 December 2024, officers from the CBA Regional Office in Poznań, together with officers from the Wielkopolskie Revenue Office in Poznań, detained four entrepreneurs who used fraudulent VAT invoices to settle tax debts. Officers secured extensive accounting documentation and memory carriers in places of residence and business activity.

According to the findings of the pre-trial investigation, a group of business entities, operating in the service sector and fuel and vehicle trade, used fraudulent VAT invoices that did not reflect real economic events. The invoices were used to reduce the VAT due in the tax returns submitted. Preliminary findings indicate that VAT invoices worth a total of almost PLN 10 million were used in the criminal procedure. The estimated value of tax losses amounts to nearly PLN 2.5 million.

The detainees were brought to the District Prosecutor's Office in Ostrów Wielkopolski, where they were charged with, among other things, participation in an organised criminal group, falsification of invoices and use of fraudulent documents.

The court, at the request of the prosecutor, applied temporary arrest for 3 months against three persons. Against one person, the prosecutor applied police supervision, a ban on leaving the country together with passport seizure, and a property surety in the amount of PLN 40,000.

The prosecutor has issued decisions to secure vehicles and real estate belonging to the suspects. The value of the secured property amounts to nearly PLN 12 million.

Ongoing Case

This is the first procedural implementation in the ongoing pre-trial investigation. Further activities are planned.

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