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Entrepreneurs from Greater Poland Voivodeship Detained

Officers of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau detained three individuals in the Greater Poland Voivodeship. The detentions are the result of an investigation into the activities of an organized criminal group involved in issuing fraudulent VAT invoices. The preparatory proceedings are being supervised by the District Prosecutor's Office in Ostrów Wielkopolski.

On 15 April 2025, officers from the Regional Office of the CBA in Poznań detained three individuals (two women and a man), entrepreneurs who, in the course of their business operations, issued and utilized fraudulent VAT invoices. Financial and accounting documentation as well as electronic devices were secured during the operation.

Estimated Loss to the State Treasury: PLN 2.5 Million

The criminal group had been operating since at least 1 October 2023, engaging in the generation and use of fraudulent VAT invoices for the purposes of settling public-law obligations. Current findings indicate that the group comprised over a dozen entities based in the Greater Poland Voivodeship. Based on these invoices, the entrepreneurs submitted false tax declarations and unlawfully reduced their tax liabilities. The loss to the State Treasury is estimated at approximately PLN 2.5 million.

Charges and Preventive Measures

The detained individuals were brought before the District Prosecutor's Office in Ostrów Wielkopolski. The prosecutor presented charges, including under Article 258 §1, Article 271a, and Article 273 of the Penal Code.

Preventive measures were applied against the two female suspects in the form of an

obligation to report to the indicated police stations, combined with an obligation to notify the Police of any intended departure from the city, stating their place of residence and return date, a ban on contacting other suspects in the case and, for one of them, a ban on leaving the country. For the male suspect, the prosecutor imposed the obligation to report to the police three times a week, with the same travel notification requirement, a ban on contacting other suspects, and a prohibition on leaving the country.

Ongoing Investigation

This is the third implementation in the course of the ongoing preparatory proceedings. To date, charges have been brought against nine individuals.

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