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CBA Operation in Lesser Poland

Financial gain, expedited restructuring proceedings, fictitious VAT invoices – officers of the Central Anti-Corruption Bureau have detained 10 individuals in the Lesser Poland Voivodeship. By decision of the District Court in Kraków, four of them have been placed under arrest for 3 months.

On June 3, 2025, officers from Regional Office of the CBA in Kraków detained 10 individuals in Sucha Beskidzka, Wadowice, Nowy Targ, and Maków Podhalański. Among those detained are furniture manufacturers and sellers, as well as a restructuring advisor.

As part of procedural activities carried out at the request of the District Prosecutor's Office in Kraków, CBA officers secured accounting documentation and data storage devices. Cash in various currencies was also seized. The total amount of secured financial assets is equivalent to over PLN 1.3 million.

Financial Gain

Officers from the Regional Office of the CBA in Kraków are conducting an investigation into the acceptance of financial benefits and promises thereof in connection with the duties of a court-appointed supervisor during expedited restructuring proceedings. The investigation has revealed that the detained restructuring advisor allegedly accepted a bribe amounting to PLN 500,000.

The investigation also involves issues related to the issuance and use of fraudulent VAT invoices by entrepreneurs involved in furniture manufacturing and sales. It has been determined that the total value of the fictitious VAT invoices amounts to approximately PLN 12.9 million. Additionally, the investigation is examining the failure to record and declare sales of goods totaling approximately PLN 10 million.

Charges and Preventive Measures

The detainees were brought to the District Prosecutor's Office in Kraków, where they were charged with, among other things, forgery of invoices and bribery. The advisor was charged with official corruption and abuse of power.

At the prosecutor's request, the District Court in Kraków ordered the temporary detention of four suspects for a period of 3 months. For the remaining individuals, the prosecutor applied non-custodial preventive measures, including police supervision, property bails for a total amount of PLN 250,000, and bans on contacting specific individuals.

Ongoing Investigation

This is the first procedural action in the ongoing preparatory proceedings. Activities were carried out in 16 locations across the Lesser Poland Voivodeship. The case is developing, and further procedural steps are planned.

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