Two Businessmen Arrested in Case Concerning Supplies for the Military

Officers of the Central Anticorruption Bureau, together with officers of the Lower Silesian Customs and Tax Office, have arrested two businessmen. The arrests are the result of an investigation into irregularities in the performance of a public procurement contract for the supply of personal equipment for Polish Armed Forces soldiers. The preparatory proceedings are supervised by the 8th Military Affairs Division of the District Prosecutor’s Office in Poznań.

On 20 August this year, officers of the Regional Office of the CBA in Wrocław, together with officers of the Lower Silesian Customs and Tax Office and soldiers from the Wrocław Military Police Division, carried out procedural activities in the Greater Poland, Kuyavian-Pomeranian and Lower Silesian Voivodeships. The activities included the arrest of two men engaged in business activities in the services and wholesale sectors, as well as searches at the 4th Regional Logistics Base in Wrocław and at the suspects’ places of residence and business premises, where extensive evidentiary material was secured.

Non-compliance with Specifications and Losses to the State Treasury

Officers of the CBA’s Wrocław Branch, together with officers of the Lower Silesian Customs and Tax Office and soldiers from the Wrocław Military Police Division, are conducting an investigation into businessmen who, in order to obtain financial gain, allegedly supplied equipment that did not comply with the specifications set out in the public procurement requirements. The preparatory proceedings are supervised by the 8th Military Affairs Division of the District Prosecutor’s Office in Poznań.

The CBA investigation has established that in 2023–2024, the arrested men won tenders to supply personal equipment for soldiers to a military unit in Wrocław. In performing the contracts as suppliers, and in order to obtain financial gain, they concealed the fact that the equipment supplied did not comply with the specifications set out in the public procurement documents. The fraudulent scheme resulted in the State Treasury unfavourably disposing of property worth more than PLN 20 million. This amount constituted the supplier's remuneration.

Charges and Preventive Measures

The suspects were brought before the District Prosecutor's Office in Poznań. The prosecutor charged them, among other things, with fraud involving property of a value exceeding ten times the threshold for property of great value (Article 286 § 1 in conjunction with Article 294 § 4 of the Penal Code). Following their questioning, the prosecutor applied to the court for the most severe preventive measure, namely pre-trial detention. By court decision, both suspects were remanded in custody for three months. In addition, decisions were issued to secure assets in the form of real estate, cash and claims held in bank accounts, up to a total amount exceeding PLN 45 million.

Further procedural activities are planned in the case.

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