

Kazakhstan's Former Vice Minister Sentenced for Abuse of Office and Embezzlement

Date of Action

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SUMMARY



Yerlan Kozhagapanov, 57

Former Vice Minister of Culture and Sports (2017-2021)

JURISDICTION

Kazakhstan

LEGAL ACTION

Sentenced to 36 months

REASON

Abuse of Office and Embezzlement

PEP CHECK



ADVERSE MEDIA CHECK



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MODUS OPERANDI

Kozhagapanov exploited his position by inflating forum-related expenses, embezzling approximately USD 2 million in state funds.

SYNOPSIS

He was sentenced to 36 months in prison, permanently barred from holding public office, and stripped of all state honors.

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