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Russia's top investigator reveals how many criminal cases initiated over events in Ukraine

The Russian Investigative Committee continues to collect evidence of crimes of Ukrainian nationalists, Alexander Bastrykin stressed

MOSCOW, March 25. /TASS/. Since 2014, the Russian Investigative Committee has initiated over 500 criminal cases on the events in Ukraine and Donbass, in which 180 people are held to account, including representatives of the military and political leadership of Ukraine, Investigative Committee Chairman Alexander Bastrykin told TASS.

"Since 2014, according to the events in Donbass and Ukraine, the Investigative Committee has opened more than 500 criminal cases involving 180 individuals," Bastrykin said. Among them there are highranking representatives of the military and political leadership of Ukraine - former Ukrainian Interior Minister Arsen Avakov and former Dnipropetrovsk Governor Igor Kolomoisky, Ex-Chairman of Verkhovna Rada Alexander Turchinov, Interior Ministry Adviser Anton Gerashchenko, Commanders of the Ukrainian armed forces Valery Ismailov, Andrey Grishchenko, Oleg Mikats, Mikhail Prokopiv, Alexander Zhakun, Oleg Kutsin, Valery Gudz, Vyacheslav Pechenenko, Dmitry Kashchenko, Fedor Yaroshevich, Andrey Ignatov, members of the Ukrainian nationalist organizations recognized as extremist in Russia Right Sector and National Corps. Bastrykin specified that since February 17, investigators of the Central Office of Russia's Investigative Committee have initiated more than 80 criminal cases. "The Russian Investigative Committee continues to collect evidence of crimes of Ukrainian nationalists threatening the lives of Donbass residents as well as our citizens and interests of the Russian Federation. Currently, this work has been conducted in a proactive manner," the top investigator concluded.

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