

Cops Arrested in Rape Case

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A Moscow court has sanctioned the arrest of three suspects, including two former metro police officers, in a rape case that cost a senior police official his job, Interfax reported Saturday.

The former policemen, Oleg Puteinikov and Kirill Dedikin, as well as the third suspect, Dmitry Belobritsky, are charged with raping a Belarussian woman. Earlier reports said five men had been implicated, but police have not commented on those allegations.

The three suspects pleaded not guilty. They face up to six years in prison if convicted of rape. Police said last week that the officers were fired several days before the incident but have also confirmed that Colonel Alexander Telitsa, a deputy chief of the metro police, was fired over the incident.

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