

Beketov Case Reopened

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The Investigative Committee on Thursday reopened a criminal case into a 2008 attack on Khimki journalist Mikhail Beketov that cost him a leg and the ability to speak, Interfax reported.

Investigators also asked the Prosecutor General's Office to hand over its inquiry into the murder of Novaya Gazeta reporter Igor Domnikov in 2000. His killer was convicted in 2007, but the organizers of the crime were never found.

Beketov, a staunch critic of the Khimki administration, on Wednesday lost a defamation suit filed by the town's mayor, Vladimir Strelchenko, whom he accused in 2008 of organizing another attack on him.

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