

Mother Jailed for Ordering Hit on Daughter's Ex-Fiance

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A 59-year-old mother has been jailed for five years for trying to take out a contract hit on her daughter's former fiance, investigators said Thursday.

The mother, Krasnoyarsk resident Tatyana Zasypkina, and 35-year-old daughter were furious that the unidentified suitor had backed out of a promise of marriage, the Investigative Committee said in a statement.

"The man promised to marry her but did not fulfill the promise," it said.

The mother and daughter saved up 100,000 rubles (\$3,200) over several years as they laid plans to seek revenge, it said. In January, Zasypkina contacted a private detective agency after seeing an advertisement in the newspaper and offered the money in exchange for the murder.

A Krasnoyarsk court found Zasypkina guilty of inciting and organizing a crime and sentenced

her to five years in prison.

In a ruling that perhaps helped explain the ex-fiance's decision to cancel the wedding, the court declared the daughter mentally unfit and sentenced her to compulsory treatment in a local psychiatric ward.

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