

## Investigators Seize Vasilyeva's Real Estate in Oboronservis Case

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Investigators working on the Oboronservis corruption case have seized the real estate of former Defense Ministry employee Yevgenia Vasilyeva, the Investigative Committee's official spokesman Vladimir Markin announced Thursday.

Authorities seized three apartments — two in St. Petersburg and one in Moscow — a house in the Leningrad region and a non-residential property on Arbat in central Moscow with a total area of over 600 square meters, Interfax reported.

Vasilyeva is suspected of illegally selling Defense Ministry property through Oboronservis, a military contractor, when she worked as the head of the ministry's property management department.

Investigators put the preliminary amount of damage from Vasilyeva's actions at 4 billion rubles (\$133 million).

Currently, Vasilyeva is under house arrest at her apartment in Moscow, which is now under court arrest as well.

On Wednesday, authorities put an electronic monitoring bracelet on her left foot to track her movements, Markin said.

Vasilyeva was arrested in late October. Police seized jewelry, paintings, antique items and 3 million rubles in cash from her luxurious 13-room apartment at that time.

In late February, Vasilyeva petitioned the court to return her confiscated belongings and money, but the court rejected her appeal on Wednesday, Interfax reported.

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