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Director of Sailing School Arrested for Selling Diplomas

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Police in the far eastern Primorye region arrested the 77-year-old director of a sailing school in the port of Nakhodka for selling diplomas, a news report said Wednesday.

Police acted on a tip from a local resident who said the school's director had offered him the diploma of a ship operator for 15,000 rubles ($500) without having to attend any classes, the transportation police in the Far Eastern Federal District told Interfax.

The diploma gives its holder the right to work on ships at sea.

Police investigated the matter and established the receipt of 15,000 rubles by the school's director, police said.

An investigation is still under way.

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