

Former Police Fined for Filming Detainee Rape Attempt

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A Sverdlovsk region court has fined two former policemen for filming an attempted prison rape and posting it on the web, regional prosecutors said Thursday.

Turinsky District Court found that the police officers used their cell phones to film a drunk male detainee trying to "carry out a homosexual act" with another detainee in June before sharing the video with their colleagues and posting it on the Internet.

The police officers were convicted of criminal negligence for failing to stop a rape attempt, and illegal production and distribution of pornographic materials, the court said in a statement.

Negligence is punishable by up to three months in prison or a fine of up to \$3,800, while production and distribution of porn can carry a two year prison term or a fine of up to \$9,500.

The police officers got away with fines of \$800 and \$1,400, however.

They had been fired over the incident in July.

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