

Busted Policeman Tries to Eat 160,000-Ruble Bribe

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A Moscow police officer decided to swallow more than his pride earlier this week when his colleagues caught him taking a bribe from an individual in the north of the city.

The offending officer had just pocketed the 160,000 rubles (\$4,500) when he noticed that he had been spotted by anti-corruption police, a police spokesman said, Interfax reported Friday.

He then jumped into his car and started to devour the money in an effort to destroy the evidence, but a colleague smashed one of the windows and detained him before he could finish.

The culprit had accepted the money in exchange for overlooking a criminal offense, the spokesman said, without going into further detail.

The offending officer will be fired and action will be taken against his supervisors, the spokesman added.

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