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Russian Court Sentences Abductors of Wealthy Lawmaker

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A court in Vladivostok, Russia's largest city in the Far East, has handed down lengthy prison terms to two men convicted of attacking, abducting and attempting to extort money from a local lawmaker, media reported Wednesday.

The men, whose names have not been disclosed, were found guilty of trying to extort 100 million rubles ($2.7 million) from Dmitry Suleyev, a businessman and municipal lawmaker with the ruling United Russia party, Interfax reported Wednesday.

The perpetrators were sentenced to eight and 9 1/2 years in prison for the incident, which occurred over several days in late 2012, the report said. A third man is currently on trial in connection with the case.

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