

# Suspected Italian Mobster Freed in St. Petersburg Despite Interpol Order

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A district court in St. Petersburg on Saturday freed an Italian man who was on an Interpol wanted list for alleged links to organized crime in Italy, local media reported.

Nicola Di Mauro, who was reportedly detained last week at a pizzeria, said outside of the court that the allegations against him were false and the media has ruined his life, the Interfax news agency reported.

The Fontanka news site reported that Di Mauro, 33, may have been released because his lawyer submitted to the court a document showing that an Italian court had rescinded the charges, but that information could not be confirmed.

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