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Kiev Issues Arrest Order for Head of Russian-Annexed Crimea

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Sergei Aksyonov

The Pechorsky District Court in Kiev has issued an arrest warrant for Crimean Prime Minister Sergei Aksyonov.

According to the Ukrainian Prosecutor General's website, Aksyonov is accused of abusing his authority, establishing an illegal Council of Ministers in Crimea, and passing ownership of Ukraine's Artek International Children's Center to Russia.

Ukraine has estimated total losses of more than 242 million hryvna ($9.5 million) from the transfer of Artek center, the statement reads. The court says they have now put the center and its property under an order of seizure.

A criminal case was opened in 2014 against another Crimean official — Natalya Poklonskaya — who heads the Crimean prosecution within the Russian Federation's Prosecutor General's Office. She was accused by Kiev of "seizing power'" the RBC news agency reported.

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