

Hockey Brawl Complaint

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The CEO of the Omsk hockey club Avangard said his team wanted a criminal case opened into the players of Chekhov's Vityaz who attacked Avangard's players six seconds after the start of a Friday match.

Four Vityaz players, including two Canadians, Josh Gratton and Darcy Verot, were disqualified for 12 to 15 games after the match, which ended with a 3-2 victory and the brief hospitalization of two players for Avangard.

Omsk team's Anatoly Bardin told Sport-Express in an interview published Monday that legal action may follow against Gratton and Verot, who have been questioned by police. He did not elaborate but said Avangard would also demand that Vityaz, notorious for brawls started by its "tough guy" players, be banned from the Kontinental Hockey League.☒

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