

# Former Top Transport Cop Arrested for Taking \$900,000 Bribe

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Crocus City Mall, where a former high-ranking police official was caught taking a bribe over the weekend.  
**Sergei Nikolayev**

A former high-ranking police official has been arrested on suspicion of taking a \$900,000 bribe.

Edward Sandrukyan, formerly the head of an investigative unit for transportation for the Central Federal District, was caught in a sting operation Sunday in Crocus City Mall in northwest Moscow taking \$900,000 in cash, the Investigative Committee said in a statement Tuesday.

The money was part of a larger sum, \$6 million, Sandrukyan expected to receive for assisting a group of businessmen seeking to start a company in Russia, Life News reported, citing information from investigators.

A criminal case has been opened against Sandrukyan with a charge of fraud.

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