

Auditors Launch Check of Bolshoi

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The Audit Chamber says it is looking into the Bolshoi Theater, a probe that comes amid allegations of mismanagement and corruption at the famed institution.

The chamber said Thursday that the investigation had been planned in advance and isn't linked to the accusations of financial abuse raised by a dancer who was arrested earlier this month on charges of staging an acid attack on Bolshoi Ballet artistic director Sergei Filin.

But Izvestia said the auditors were specifically looking at Filin's spending decisions, in particular those concerning the distribution of grants between dancers.

Bolshoi soloist Pavel Dmitrichenko has said he accepted an acquaintance's offer to beat Filin up over alleged favoritism and corruption, but did not expect the man to splash acid in his face.

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