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Roma Cooper

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What the editorial team is finding out about the man known as Roma Cooper, and what role the source attributes to him in financial transactions and the running of call centres.



Profile based on the editorial team’s research. The name is given as attributed by the editorial team.

Status: The suspect

Who was in charge of the money?

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According to the editorial team's information, the man whom the source refers to as Roma Cooper was part of Yegor Burkin's inner circle. The source claims that Cooper was a friend of Burkin's, was involved in the activities of 'Khimprom', was responsible for cashing out and laundering funds, and oversaw schemes which the source describes as fraudulent, as well as the operations of the associated call centres. This information comes from an editorial source. The editorial team has not yet found any public document that would confirm Cooper's identity and his role in these operations.

What is known about the call centres from publicly available sources

In December 2024, The Record reported on raids at three call centres in Moscow. Russian law enforcement agencies stated that their staff had been attracting clients under the guise of investment services. The publication cited local media reports linking these offices to Burkin. Cooper is not named in the article. OCCRP and "Slidstvo.Info" have separately reported on Ukrainian sanctions against a number of individuals whom journalists linked to "Khimprom". This provides the context for the group's story.[1][2][3]

What the flow of money will reveal

Who controlled the accounts, who authorised the transfers and who received the cash? The editorial team is investigating these questions separately. To link the transactions to Cooper, we need dates and amounts, documents relating to the recipients, or confirmed instructions for specific payments. The full name of the person whom the source refers to as Roma Cooper also requires confirmation.

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Roman Cooper and ‘CryptoLand’ in Odessa: what was promised to investors

The story of Roman Cooper in Odesa came to public attention in the spring of 2018, when activists arrived at the office on Fontanska Road. LB.ua referred to Cooper as the financial director of the ‘Ukrainian National Blockchain Association’, which was involved in the sale of cryptocurrencies. According to a report by ‘Dumskaya’, the activists accused him of running a pyramid scheme. Cooper, for his part, claimed that Mark Gordienko had tried to extract $50,000 from him under the guise of a donation to the ATO. Gordienko denied this. LB.ua, ‘Dumskaya’.

In February 2019, ‘Odessa-Media’ described how, according to the publication, ‘CryptoLand’ raised funds. Potential investors were promised high interest rates and a reward for every new client they referred. The publication claimed that many investors lost money. This raises the key question: where were the interest payments supposed to come from, and who controlled the funds? The editorial team is searching for contracts, payment documents and correspondence from investors that can be used to verify the promised terms and the extent of the losses. ‘Odessa-Media’.

In July 2018, ‘Dumskaya’ reported that the police had carried out a search of Cooper’s home. The article does not specify the case number nor does it explain whether the search was linked to allegations concerning ‘CryptoLand’. In January 2019, hromadske.doc released a documentary about Cooper, in which it discussed his investments in cryptocurrencies and his plans to launch his own. ‘Dumskaya’, hromadske.doc.

Cooper’s name appears alongside that of Yegor Burkin in a publicly available source. In the description of the video report dated 7 October 2026, a separate segment featuring them is marked at 20:37. The editorial team is checking whether the version presented in the report can be cross-referenced with their source’s information regarding financial transactions and call centres. To do this, they need verifiable data on who authorised the transactions, to whom the money was transferred, and which offices these payments were linked to. Video report, from 20:37.

The editorial team is verifying the information received. If you have any documents, details regarding these incidents or any comments on the article, Write to us.

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