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The Belarusian prosecutor's office sent sociologist Oleg Manaev the second warning about the spread of invalid data on the election results. According to prosecutors, Professor Manaev engaged in carrying out social and political research on illegal grounds.

Sociology professor Oleg Manaev faces charges of discrediting Belarus. If the Prosecutor considers that the sociologist did not heed the warning of law enforcement bodies of Belarus, he can be charged under Article 369 Part 1 of the Criminal Code and he may be arrested for up to six months, or imprisonment up to two years.

Oleg Manaev believes that this warning applies not only to him. "I think the issue is quite serious. It's not so much me and my colleagues, as that introduces a new level of control of the state over society in Belarus. In fact, no one has the right to hold any social studies without due process that approved the resolutions of the Council of Ministers ", - said Professor Manaev.

"Imagine thousands of people in the country are constantly carrying out any surveys, studies, such as the distributors of some of the goods. And now, in principle, can not do that because individuals are engaged ... Now a police officer can seize any lady in the yard, which polls the neighbor for the need of a new playground or breeding plants, and say, "Who are you?" If it is not a legal entity - go in jail. That is what is at stake, "- the words of Oleg Manaev, according to BelaPAN.

Earlier Oleg Manaev, citing on public opinion poll, conducted in late March - early April 2006, said that the president of the country gained 63.6% of voters’ support, not 83%, as reported by the Central Election Commission after the elections.

According to Oleg Manaev, leader of the opposition in the presidential election held 20.6% of the votes (according to the Central Election Commission - 6.1%). In turn, chairman of the Belarusian Social Democratic Party (Hramada) Alyaksandr Kazulin was supported by 4.8% (according to CEC - 2.2%), and the head of the Liberal Democratic Party Sergei Haidukevich - 2.1% (according to CEC - 3 5%) of votes.