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Possible Crisis at Iranian Nuclear Reactor

BBC News Service December 30, 2010 06:00am NY/2:30pm Tehran

DUBAI – According to two anonymous sources based in Tehran, a problem has occurred at the Arak nuclear facility in Western Iran, causing an explosion. The two sources reported separately that early this morning, Iranian officials identified a potentially serious malfunction at the reactor.

The news comes shortly after a December 22 report by the U.S.-based Institute for Science and International Security that the Stuxnet virus has caused major disruptions in other Iranian nuclear facilities at Natanz and Bushehr. Iranian officials were not immediately available for comment.

The alleged problem occurs in the context of tense international negotiations over Iran's nuclear program. The Iranian government announced its ongoing construction of a 40-MW heavy-water reactor at Arak in 2006. Western officials believe that the Arak reactor could be used to produce weapons-grade plutonium for nuclear weapons. Iran has stated that its purpose is entirely peaceful.

Under international pressure, the Iranian government admitted inspectors from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to the Arak facility in August 2010 and found that the reactor was still being built and was not vet operational but that major equipment was in place. The Arak facility resembles the facilities that Israel and India have used to build their nuclear weapons programs, and experts say it is difficult to know whether an operational heavy-water reactor is being used for peaceful or military purposes.



The Arak reactor is located outside a city with roughly 500,000 residents approximately 180 miles southwest of the capital of Tehran.



Fire at Nuclear Facility

Tehran Times (Iran)

Dec. 30, 2010 - 07:00am NY/3:30pm Tehran

Translated from Farsi

ARAK - A fire has been reported at the Arak nuclear reactor site. An employee who asked to not be identified said alarms sounded shortly before eight in the morning and that all non-essential personnel were evacuated from the facility and sent home for the day. The employee was not able to comment on the extent of the fire or its causes.

Nader Mortezapur, an official plant spokesman, said the cause of the fire has been identified and corrected. He said that the damage was minor and that the plant will return to full operation within $48\,$ hours.



Arak Reactor Secure, Says Foreign Minister

Fars News Agency (Iran)

Dec. 30, 2010 – 9:30am NY/6:00pm Tehran

Translated from Farsi

TEHRAN — Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Salehi has refuted a British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) report alleging a technical failure at the Arak nuclear facility. At a small press conference this afternoon, he accused the BBC of serving as "a propaganda arm for America and source of disinformation." He also said that "unfriendly foreign powers are once again trying to undermine our pursuit of peaceful energy development."

The Tehran Times reported a fire at the facility this morning. Salehi acknowledged the accident but said that it was a "small electrical fire" and had been put out. "It did not endanger safety," he added, noting that a group of senior nuclear scientists was dispatched as a precaution. Salehi emphasized that "there is no reason for public concern." He said that the scientists were taking precautionary measures and routine tests. "The facility remains secure, despite irresponsible exaggerations used by foreign powers as pretexts for intervention," he said.



UNITED NATIONS Office of the Secretary-General January 2, 2011

To: Members of the UN Security Council Iranian, Iraqi, Turkish, Israeli, and Saudi Missions to the United Nations Representatives of the IAEA, World Bank, UNHCR, WHO, WFP & Amnesty Int'l

Re: Emergency Meeting of the Security Council

The United Kingdom has requested an emergency meeting of the Security Council on January 3, 2011. The British Mission indicated that it intends to raise for discussion the events unfolding at the Arak nuclear facility in Iran. The meeting will begin at **9:30am sharp**, but delegates should arrive between 9:00 and 9:15 to record their attendance and pick up their badges. Delegates should wear smart casual attire.

/s/ Ban Ki-Moon UN Secretary General



Further Details on Explosion at Iranian Nuclear Site

CNN International Dec. 31, 2010 - 3:00pm NY/11:30pm Tehran

DOHA – Additional reporting from sources in Iran confirms that an explosion occurred at the heavy-water reactor site at Arak, Iran. An evacuation of the facility ensued, and all

non-essential employees were sent home. Sources confirm that at

least two people were killed and at least several others suffered extensive burns and were hospitalized as a result of the explosion. There are unconfirmed reports that authorities have sealed off the immediate area and begun taking measures to contain radiation.

Officials initially claimed that the facility was only subject to a small fire and that no injuries or casualties resulted from the However, Majid Ansari, a physics professor at the University of Tehran, is fearful that an explosion and the apparent injuries sustained by workers indicate a more serious breach in safety at Arak.



Source: Institute for Science & Technology

The City of Arak has more than 500,000 residents and is 290 kilometers from Tehran. Not much is known about the current operations of the Arak facility. It was last inspected by the IAEA in 2009.



Student Protest in Arak Amid Nuclear Fears

Agence France Presse
Jan. 1, 2011 (12:00pm NY/8:30pm Tehran)

TEHRAN – A local Iranian correspondent reports a demonstration near the University of Arak at approximately 3:00pm. According to the correspondent, the demonstration involved more than 1,000 participants, most of whom appeared to be students. It is unclear who led or organized the demonstration. Protesters appeared to be unarmed. Many carried green ribbons—reminiscent of the abortive post-election demonstrations of 2009—and some carried banners with anti-government slogans. The demonstrators began to chant "tell us the truth about the reactor!"

Local police arrived on the scene promptly, and by 3:40pm, approximately 100 armed members of the Iranian Revolutionary Guard (IRG) arrived in a convoy of armored trucks. Some protesters immediately fled, while others continued to chant in defiance of the arriving troops. Members of the IRG were seen clubbing some of the protestors, and several of the protesters were arrested. Authorities at the Defense and Interior ministries refused to comment on the events outside the university.



Student protesting outside Arak University
Parsa Shabani, Flickr



Thousands of Iranians Fleeing From Arak

Al-Jazeera Jan. 2, 2011 (9:00am NY/5:30pm Tehran)

A large exodus from the city of Arak is underway. According to local sources, thousands of people are traveling by major highways heading towards Tehran, Esfahan, and the Iraqi and Turkish borders. This comes in the wake of reports of a possible attack or technologically-induced meltdown at the nuclear reactor just outside Arak, which has a population of more than half a million people. News spread quickly in the city.



Traffic jam in Arak as many residents leave the city

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Iranian officials have acknowledged that there has been a minor malfunction with the core cooling system but say that the problem has been repaired and the damage to the facility poses no risk to the general public. This official statement has done little to assuage the fears of nearby residents, some of whom are fearful that the government is withholding relevant information.

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