



LIVE UPDATES: Clashes at Zaporozhskaya NPP Could Have Erupted Over Kiev's Docs on Nukes, Source Says

Description

UKRAINE: The recent clashes at the administrative buildings near the Zaporozhskaya nuclear power plant (NPP) could be a result of Ukraine storing documents on perspective developments of nuclear weapons there, a Russian source familiar with the industry told Sputnik.

“Certain documentation was also available at the Zaporozhskaya NPP. Clashes with Ukrainian sabotage and reconnaissance groups in administrative buildings adjacent to the NPP were apparently related to this fact,” the source said.

He added that Ukrainian authorities had partially destroyed and evacuated majority of documents on the issue from Kiev and Kharkov to Lvov.

“Amid increasing tension in relations with Russia, the Ukrainian leadership decided to destroy all valuable documentation stored in the scientific centers in Kiev and Kharkov or evacuate it to the Lviv Polytechnic National University,” the source said.

The source noted that it has been done so Ukraine could “avoid accusations of the Kiev regime that there was a weapons component in Ukraine’s peaceful nuclear program.”

The source also noted that Ukrainian authorities used the Chernobyl NPP for making of a dirty bomb and for the work on plutonium separation.

“According to the available information, the work on both the dirty bomb production and the plutonium extraction were conducted there. The elevated radiation background in the Chernobyl zone concealed such work,” the source said.

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