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Chem-Bio News

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SAUDI ARABIA GIVES ISRAEL CLEAR SKIES TO ATTACK IRANIAN NUCLEAR SITES

By Hugh Tomlinson

The Times of London (UK)

June 12, 2010

"Saudi Arabia has conducted tests to stand down its air defences to enable Israeli jets to make a bombing raid on Iran's nuclear facilities, The Times can reveal.

In the week that the UN Security Council imposed a new round of sanctions on Tehran, defence sources in the Gulf say that Riyadh has agreed to allow Israel to use a narrow corridor of its airspace in the north of the country to shorten the distance for a bombing run on Iran.

To ensure the Israeli bombers pass unmolested, Riyadh has carried out tests to make certain its own jets are not scrambled and missile defence systems not activated. Once the Israelis are through, the kingdom's air defences will return to full alert.

"The Saudis have given their permission for the Israelis to pass over and they will look the

other way, • said a US defence source in the area. •They have already done tests to make sure their own jets aren't scrambled and no one gets shot down. This has all been done with the agreement of the [US] State Department."

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"The four main targets for any raid on Iran would be the uranium enrichment facilities at Natanz and Qom, the gas storage development at Isfahan and the heavy-water reactor at Arak. Secondary targets include the lightwater reactor at Bushehr, which could produce weapons-grade plutonium when complete.

The targets lie as far as 1,400 miles (2,250km) from Israel; the outer limits of their bombers' range, even with aerial refuelling. An open corridor across northern Saudi Arabia would significantly shorten the distance. An airstrike would involve multiple waves of bombers, possibly crossing Jordan, northern Saudi Arabia and Iraq. Aircraft attacking Bushehr, on the Gulf coast, could swing beneath Kuwait to strike from the southwest."

The full article can be found at: http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/middle_east/article7148555.ece

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SAUDIS DENY REPORT OF TEST CLEARING SKIES TO ISRAEL

Al Arabiya – U.A.E.

June 13, 2010

"Saudi Arabia denied a British report alleging it has conducted tests to stand down its air defenses to allow Israeli warplanes to use its airspace in any bombing raid on Iran's nuclear facilities.

Riyadh slammed the news reported by The Times newspaper as "false" and "slanderous," the official Saudi Press Agency (SPA) reported on Saturday."

The full article can be found at: <http://www.alarabiya.net/articles/2010/06/13/111198.html>

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IOWA CITY SAYS NO TO NUCLEAR WEAPONS

By Gregg Hennigan

KCRG-TV

June 14, 2010

"City officials want to re-install signs on major streets entering Iowa City declaring the city a "Nuclear Weapons Free Zone." Unless the City Council objects — and no one brought it up at a work session Monday night — the signs will go up.

The signs are actually required under city code.

A city ordinance, which Gazette archives say was approved in 1985, establishes “the city as a nuclear weapons free zone in which work on nuclear weapons is prohibited. The people of the city find that the presence of nuclear weapons facilities within the city is in direct conflict with the maintenance of the community’s public health, safety, morals, economic well being and general welfare.”

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“Violating the ordinance is a simple misdemeanor or municipal infraction.”

The full article can be found at: <http://www.kcrg.com/news/local/96346569.html>

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U.S. AND THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA SIGN MEGAPORTS INITIATIVE AGREEMENT AIMED AT PREVENTING NUCLEAR SMUGGLING

US National Nuclear Security Administration Press Release

June 15, 2010

“The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) today announced that the United States and the Republic of Malta have signed an agreement to begin a cooperative effort to detect, deter, and interdict illicit smuggling of nuclear and other radioactive material.

The agreement, signed by U.S. Ambassador Douglas Kmiec and Malta’s Director General of Customs Joseph Brincat, paves the way for the NNSA to work with the Maltese Customs Administration and other government agencies in Malta to install radiation detection equipment and associated infrastructure at the port of Marsaxlokk. This cooperative framework also will train Maltese officials on the use of the equipment and provide for maintenance of the equipment for a specified period.”

The full article can be found at: <http://www.nnsa.energy.gov/mediaroom/pressreleases/malta061510>

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TERRORISM REPORT WARNS OF 'DIRTY BOMB' RISKS, SAYS ITALY'S NUCLEAR WASTE DEPOSITS VULNERABLE

The Associated Press on Google News

June 15, 2010

“Italy has a dozen sites where radioactive material is temporarily stocked, according to the report.

These sites, the stocked material and their transfers "are vulnerable to terror attacks" and require measures to protect them from any terror risks. The report did not elaborate on the security measures currently in place.

Italy closed nuclear plants after a referendum banned nuclear power in 1987. But the report says that the plants have produced 55,000 cubic meters of waste. There is also 2,000 cubic meters of other radioactive material coming from health and medical products, as well as waste produced by hospitals and chemical and other companies."

The full article can be found at: http://www.google.com/hostednews/canadianpress/article/ALeqM5jQaeHPcWrKquzIDeAVkfesvn_mvA

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PUEBLO CHEMICAL DEPOT - VAPOR LEAKING OVER-PACKS FOUND, RE-SEALED; BACK IN STORAGE

US Army Chemical Materials Agency News Release
June 14, 2010

"Chemical crews closed out a mustard leaker operation today that began more than two weeks ago when monitoring crews were alerted to trace readings of mustard agent vapors inside a storage structure containing over-packed leaking munitions at Pueblo Chemical Depot.

The low-level readings were detected the last week in May as crews were preparing for an inspection of the depot's over-packed munitions.

An air filtration unit was previously installed on the rear air vent of the storage structure and was in continuous operation during the process.

Chemical crews dressed in personal protective equipment began a systematic operation to isolate individual pallets of over-packed containers holding munitions that had previously leaked or were involved in past sampling operations.

On June 8, three over-packed munitions were determined to be leaking mustard agent vapor. Chemical crews transferred the over-packed munitions into larger 12" X 56" sealed, single round containers.

County and state officials were given updates on the operation from the start to today's completion of operations.

All processes were carried out under strict engineering controls, protecting the environment

and safety of all depot employees and surrounding communities.

The full article can be found at: <http://www.cma.army.mil/fndocumentviewer.aspx?DocID=003683065>

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Since 2003, Anderson has been the SPM for the Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant in Pueblo, Colo. During this time, he was the lead government engineer responsible for management of the pilot plant's field office and oversight of Bechtel, Pueblo, the plant's systems contractor.

Anderson is familiar with CMA and the UMCDF, since he served at UMCDF as the deputy SPM for three years. Prior to this, he was the shift engineer at the Army's Johnston Atoll Chemical Agent Disposal System, known as JACADS, the first chemical weapons disposal facility. He was responsible for daily oversight of Washington Demilitarization Company plant operations. During his tenure at JACADS, operators destroyed the mustard and VX stockpiles.

"With Mr. Anderson back in the CMA community and having unique knowledge of our program, he strengthens our commitment and expertise to rid our nation of chemical weapons," says CMA Director Conrad Whyne.

CMA remains committed to the safe and timely destruction of the nation's chemical agent and chemical warfare materiel. Final blister agent campaigns continue at CMA's four remaining destruction sites in Anniston, Ala.; Pine Bluff, Ark.; Tooele, Utah; and Umatilla, Ore. CMA continues to safely store chemical agent munitions at the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternative sites near Richmond, Ky. and at Pueblo, Colo.

For more information about CMA, please visit www.cma.army.mil

The full article can be found at: <http://www.cma.army.mil/fndocumentviewer.aspx?DocID=003683067>

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