

# Azerbaijan Considers Future Use for Radar Site

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**BAKU** — A radar site in Azerbaijan for which Russia's lease has expired could be turned into a resort, Azeri officials said.

Russia's lease on the Gabala station, originally part of a warning network for the Soviet Union, ran out Sunday, and the two countries could not agree on the rate for a renewal.

Much of the Gabala region, at the foot of the Caucasus Mountains, has been designated a resort area, Azeri Defense Ministry spokesman Eldar Sabiroglu said Wednesday.

"The radar station occupies a large area in the Gabala region," he said, adding that the land "may also be used as a part of this resort."

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