

Radioactive Waste Disposal Facility to be Built in Far East

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A spokesman for Russia's state nuclear corporation said Friday that a facility for the disposal of Soviet-era radioactive waste was to be built in the country's Far East.

Officials said they made the announcement to quell media speculation that a site was being set aside for the dumping of nuclear waste from abroad. Those rumors appear to have been provoked by a notice posted on the government procurement website earlier this week calling for offers to build the plant.

A Rosatom corporation spokesman said the plant would collect and later process radioactive waste from outdated Soviet-era facilities scattered around the region.

Construction is scheduled to begin in 2015.

The plant will also be used to remove radioactive elements from decommissioned nuclear

ships and submarines.

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