

Russian Explosion Victims Hit By Radiation, Media Reports

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At least six victims of a military site explosion in northern Russia have allegedly been taken to Moscow with radiation exposure, according to unconfirmed media reports published a day after the mysterious blast.

Authorities in a nearby city <u>reported</u> a brief spike in radiation Thursday when a rocket engine <u>blew up</u> at the testing site in the Arkhangelsk region, killing two and injuring six.

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Russia's Baza Telegram channel published the names of six people who it said were allegedly <u>transported</u> on two planes to Moscow for treatment.

"According to several Russian Defense Ministry sources, all the clothes of those who were wounded have already been burned," it <u>reported</u> Friday. "The same has been done with the hazmat suits and clothes of the doctors who first helped the victims."

An attached video of several ambulances <u>claims</u> to show the vehicles wrapped in film and drivers wearing hazmat suits.

A BBC correspondent in Moscow <u>tweeted</u> that the Defense Ministry has declined to comment on Baza's reports.

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