North Koreans killed in strike on Syria

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Further revelations on the nature of the Israeli strike on a nuclear target in Syria have been published today. A former senior Mossad official Uzi Arad has stated that when the full details of the Israeli strike are published, it will

"stun everyone"

. The British Sunday Times newspaper reported today that Israeli commandos dressed as Syrian officers were able to seize

nuclear material

that originated from North Korea, and this evidence played a major part in the joint US and Israeli decision to launch a strike on a target in northern Syria. Israeli officials have stated that the target must have been of such an importance, to destroy it, knowing they risked starting a war with Syria and possibly Iran. But what is perhaps more worrying, are reports that North Korean engineers were killed in the attack.

Quote: "The Sunday Times reported that diplomats in North Korea and China believe a number of North Koreans were killed in the strike, based on reports reaching Asian governments about conversations between Chinese and North Korean officials. The officials noted that ballistic missile technicians and military scientists had been working for some time with the Syrians. According to the report, the Bush Administration was given Israeli intelligence suggesting North Korean personnel and nuclear-related material were at the Syrian site over the summer, but the administration demanded "clear evidence of nuclear-related activities before giving the operation its blessing. " As a result, the newspaper said, IDF commandos "almost certainly dressed in Syrian uniforms " seized samples of the nuclear material and took them back to Israel for testing. The sources confirmed that the samples were identified as being from North Korea. According to the Sunday Times, the site - near Dayr az-Zawr - now lies in ruins following the IAF strike.

Iranians have also been involved in arming Syria. During the week, dozens of Iranian engineers were killed when a chemical warhead they were fitting to a Scud-C missile accidentally exploded. News that North Koreans are involved in Syria's missile programme is likely to worry Israel, for North Korea has a highly sophisticated missile programme and recently announced to the world that is a nuclear power. Following the success of Hizbullah during the Second Lebanese War, Islamic states now believe that they can bring Israel to its knees through a constant rain of missiles on Israeli towns. Clearly Iran and Syria hope that by improving their missiles, this time they can bring about Israel's destruction rather than just a political stalemate. So history is once again repeating itself. In the Old Testament, after the Syrians were defeated by the Israelites, they blamed their defeat on the God of Israel. They said He must be the God of the hills, but not the God of the valleys. So they changed their tactics. But God delivered Israel's enemies into their hands (1st Kings 20:28). Once again the Arab nations will find themselves fighting against the Mighty God of Jacob.

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Ezekiel 39:3-5

And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand. Thou shalt fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou, and all thy bands, and the people that is with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous birds of every sort, and to the beasts of the field to be devoured. Thou shalt fall upon the open field: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

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