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## LUKOIL CONDUCTS ANTI-TERROR EXERCISE AT PETROLEUM TANK FARM IN MOSCOW REGION

LUKOIL conducted an anti-terror exercise aimed at the disposal of an explosive device and response to a terrorist attack at the petroleum tank farm facility in Sofrino (the Moscow region) today.

According to the scenario, the security service of the tank farm facility discovered a suspicious article attached to a railway tank containing petroleum products. All technological operations at the facility were immediately suspended, the employees and transportation vehicles were evacuated to a safe distance, and the area of the hypothetical explosion was closed off by the security services of the tank farm.

All respective law-enforcement, rescue and emergency services and organizations were immediately informed of the assumed incident.

The de-mining specialists who arrived at the site disposed of the explosive device, but there was a simulated explosion of an undetected explosive device in the vicinity of the tank battery of the tank farm and a simulated spill of petroleum products accompanied by a fire-catching threat.

The emergency team provided emergency medical aid to the two injured by the explosion. The combat unit of the fire brigade deployed the equipment for foam attack and prepared to respond to a potential fire. Members of the special emergency rescue unit liquidated the simulated spill of petroleum products, while the law enforcement officials conducted the required investigative procedures.

The results of the maneuvers testified to the fact that LUKOIL, as well as all respective law enforcement, rescue and emergency organizations and services, possessed sufficient forces and means to prevent and respond to the consequences of terrorist attacks at petroleum product supplying facilities.