
BULGARIA OPTIMISTIC ABOUT NUCLEAR REACTOR DEAL WITH IRAN - PM

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Iran has shown interest in reviewing Bulgarias proposal to sell its Russian-made nuclear reactors from the shelved Belene nuclear power plant project, Bulgarian Prime Minister Boiko Borissov said after meeting with Iranian president Hassan Rouhani.

Borissov told reporters that Rouhani had expressed his support for a possible deal and that discussions would continue at ministerial level on July 12, the second day of Borissovs visit to Iran, public broadcaster Bulgarian National Television (BNT) reported.

The talks would also involve the Russian manufacturer, Atomstroyexport, and Russias energy minister Alexander Novak, Borissov said.

Last month, Bulgarias state-owned electric utility NEK lost the arbitration lawsuit against Atomstroyexport, the foreign projects subsidiary of Russias state nuclear corporation Rosatom, which was picked to build two 1000MW nuclear reactors at Belene on the Danube River.

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