

Putin Campaigns for Plant Safety

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Prime Minister Vladimir Putin on Monday ordered his deputy Igor Sechin and all government agencies to beef up security at key infrastructure points after the terrorist attack on the Baksan hydropower station last month, Interfax reported.

Putin's orders came as Ogonyok magazine said Monday that its reporter was able to easily enter a hydropower plant despite lacking security clearance. It did not identify the plant, but [Newsru.com said](#) it was the Skhodnenskaya station in the Moscow region.

Sechin criticized the journalist, saying such investigations were “provocations” that might result in trouble for the journalists, Prime-Tass reported.

The July 21 attack on the Baksan station in Kabardino-Balkaria killed two people and destroyed two of its three generators.

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