

Radioactive Substance Seized

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TBILISI, Georgia — A Georgian Interior Ministry spokesman said Friday that a “radioactive seizure” had been made in a downtown residential district of Tbilisi and four people were in custody.

He gave no further details, but private Georgian broadcaster Imedi, which is close to the government, said the substance was believed to be cesium-137.

Cesium-137 has a wide range of industrial uses and is employed in radiotherapy. But it could also be combined with explosives to create a radiological bomb with the potential to spread radioactive contamination.

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