

Radioactive Coal Returned

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BISHKEK, Kyrgyzstan — The Kyrgyz government says it will reprimand officials responsible for allowing contaminated radioactive coal to be imported into the country from Kazakhstan.

Emergency Services Minister Kubatbek Boronov said Thursday that 990 tons of tainted coal will be shipped back to Kazakhstan later this week.

Deputy Prime Minister Aaly Karashev said officials who failed to prevent the coal from being imported will be punished within 10 days.

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