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**Subject:** FW: Update 2: Media Report Fatalities in Attack on Algerian Gas Facility (U)

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**From:** OpsAlert@state.gov [mailto:OpsAlert@state.gov]  
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**Subject:** Update 2: Media Report Fatalities in Attack on Algerian Gas Facility (U)

(U) According to unconfirmed press reports, militants claim Algerian forces attacked the Algerian gas facility. Up to 35 hostages and 15 hostage-takers were reportedly killed. Media did not specify the nationalities of those allegedly killed.

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**From:** OpsAlert@state.gov [mailto:OpsAlert@state.gov]  
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**Subject:** Update 1: Foreigners Reportedly Escape Algerian Gas Facility (SBU)

(SBU) Embassy Algiers reports UK PM Cameron talked with Algerian PM Sellal, who confirmed there was a planned intervention at the facility. Some of the capturers were killed or injured, some expatriates managed to escape, and there is a possibility of fatalities among the hostages. The situation is still very fluid and there are not yet confirmed numbers or nationalities.

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**Subject:** Foreigners Reportedly Escape Algerian Gas Facility (U)

(U) According to unconfirmed press reports, an Algerian security official said at least 20 foreigners, including Americans and Europeans, escaped from the facility where Islamist militants are holding dozens of hostages.

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