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Report Date	Incident Date	Material Seized/Diverted	Qty	Material's Reported Origin	Material's Reported Destination	Material's Seize Location	Reported Perpetrators
12/25/2008	02/2008	Uranium-238 metal	21.209g (suspects supposedly had access to 3.5kg)	unknown	unknown	Novoshakhtinsk, Rostov Oblast, Russia	Vasiliy Martinovich of Ukraine & Yuriy Syshchikov of Russia
12/22/2008	12/22/2008	Radium-226; contained in scale	unspecified	unknown	unknown	Vladivostok, Russia	unknown
12/01/2008	12/01/2008	contaminated material/scam	unspecified	unknown	unknown	Ilyichevsk port, Odessa oblast, Ukraine	unknown
11/21/2008	11/19/2008	Contaminated material/scam	unspecified	Unknown; truck en route from Lithuanian	Unknown; truck en route to Russia	Russian-Lithuanian border	unknown
11/05/2008	10/28/2008	Contaminated scrap metal	20 tons	Unknown; truck en route from Kazakhstan	Truck en route to Germany	Zhanazhol checkpoint, Kazakhstan	unknown
10/02/2008	07/2005-09/2008	Strontium-80; contained in an ice detector RIO-3	1 capsule	unknown	unknown	Saratov, Russia	1 suspect
09/11/2008	09/01/2008	Bismuth-207 & technetium-99; found in scrap metal	unspecified	Unspecified; en route from Kazakhstan	Unspecified; en route to Moldova	Kartaly border checkpoint, Kazakhstan	unknown
09/09/2008	09/09/2008	Depleted uranium	unspecified	A market in Kyrgyzstan	China	Xinjiang region, China	3 Chinese individuals
07/17/2008	07/17/2008	Dual-use tantalum	unspecified	unspecified	Iran	Russian customs on cargo vessel	Anar Godzhayev, 39 year old Uzbekistan national
07/08/2008	07/07/2008	Contaminated ceramic granite	39.2 tons	Unspecified; en route from China	Unspecified; en route to Russia	Zhanazhol checkpoint, Russian-Kazakh border	unknown

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07/07/2008	07/06/2008	Cesium and uranium (enrichment level unspecified)	unspecified	unknown	unknown	Borispol-Zaporizhiye highway, Ukraine	52-yr-old Dnepropetrovsk resident and a 37-yr-old bank security officer
07/04/2008	07/01/2008	Contaminated metals	60 tons	Ecominerals company, Temirtau, Kazakhstan	United Kingdom	Zhanazhol checkpoint, Russian-Kazakh border	unknown
06/19/2008	06/19/2008	Radium-266 salts; 06 contained in a lighting sign	unspecified	unknown	unknown	Vladivostok port, Russia	unknown
06/17/2008	06/17/2008	Airplane turn indicator	unspecified	Chelyabinsk warehouse	unknown	Magnitogorsk customs, Russia	Russian citizen
06/06/2008	06/06/2008	Contaminated potassium cyanide	4,500 kg	Unspecified; en route from Donetsk	Unspecified; en route to Kamensk	Izvarino checkpoint	unknown
05/30/2008	05/29/2008	Scrap metal	unspecified	Chernobyl NPP exclusion zone	unknown	Ukraine	Members of a "criminal group" number unspecified
05/27/2008	05/27/2008	Cesium-137; contained in scrap metal	60 tons	Unspecified; en route from Kazakhstan	Unspecified; en route to Latvia	Kartaly checkpoint, Kazakhstan	unknown
05/24/2008	05/23/2008	Contaminated materials	unspecified	Petropavlovsk, Kazakhstan	Germany	Zhanazhol checkpoint, Russian-Kazakh border	unknown
05/21/2008	05/21/2008	Radioactive metal parts	9.4 tons	NPP in South Ukraine	unspecified	Nikolayev region, Ukraine	1 suspect
04/21/2008	04/21/2008	Metal isotopes	5,400 tons	Oncology Institute, Chishinau, Moldova	Czech Republic	Mamalyga checkpoint, Moldova	unknown

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04/05/2008	04/05/2008	Contaminated material	unknown	Unspecified; en route from China	Unspecified; en route to Vladivostok port	Vladivostok port, Russia	unknown
03/11/2008	03/11/2008	Tantalum concentrate	65 barrels	Niotal Limited, Hong Kong	Ulba Metallurgical Combine, Kazakhstan	Kazakh customs	unknown

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