

Consequences of attack on Iran would be unpredictable – Mid-East expert

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An attempt to solve Iran's nuclear issue by an attack on its facilities would lead to "horrible and unpredictable consequences," former Russian Prime Minister Yevgeny Primakov has said.

That would only further radicalize the Islamic Republic and even if it does postpone the development of nuclear weapon by Iran, that would not be for longer than two years, he said.

"In that situation, Iran could consider it absolutely vital to have nuclear weapons," Primakov is quoted as saying by Ria Novosti agency.

Yevgeny Primakov served as Russia's Foreign Minister, Prime Minister, the last Speaker of the Union for the Supreme Soviet of the Soviet Union, and chief of intelligence service. The 80-year-old is an academician and a member of the Presidium of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

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