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Here is another article on Dr. Khan and Libya.
This is what happens when you have a company like Urenco .
If Urenco had been properly run and inspected, this would have never happened. Dr Khan would not have the technical knowledge.
Dr Khan was never brought to trial. He Hid in Pakistan.
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U.S. displays some of Libya's nuclear gear

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OAK RIDGE, Tenn. -- Libya paid at least \$100 million for the nuclear weapons equipment it got from a Pakistani scientist's underground network, a White House official said Monday.

U.S. officials displayed some of the equipment for the first time, claiming its seizure as a victory in the fight against weapons of mass destruction.

Libya bought the gear - including a design for a nuclear warhead and centrifuges to separate weapons-grade uranium - from a network headed by Pakistani scientist Abdul Qadeer Khan.

"The Khan network's finances were deliberately complex, and we do not have a complete picture," said Jim Wilkinson, a spokesman for the Bush administration's National Security Council. "The developing picture, however, indicates that the Khan network received at least \$100 million for supplying technology, equipment and know-how."

Monday's display included a dozen aluminum casings that would have enclosed high-speed

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centrifuges to separate weapons fuel from uranium hexafluoride gas. Guards armed with M-4 assault rifles flanked the display and encircled the tent where officials showed off the haul.

The equipment was part of a shipment of 55,000 pounds of gear the United States flew out of Libya in January, after Moammar Gadhafi agreed to give up his country's nuclear weapons program.

Khan, the father of Pakistan's nuclear weapons program, admitted this year that he sold such equipment to Libya, Iran and North Korea, but Pakistani President Pervez Musharraf immediately pardoned him.

Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham said the 50 crates of equipment represented a breakthrough in the fight against the spread of nuclear weapons.

"All of the ingredients were available for a weapons program," Abraham said. "Happily, this equipment is no longer in Libya."

Mohamed ElBaradei, head of the United Nations' International Atomic Energy Agency, said in Washington that his agency also deserved credit for disarming Libya.

"The Libyan program has been dismantled under the agency's inspection, under the agency's supervision" and with U.S. cooperation, ElBaradei said.

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