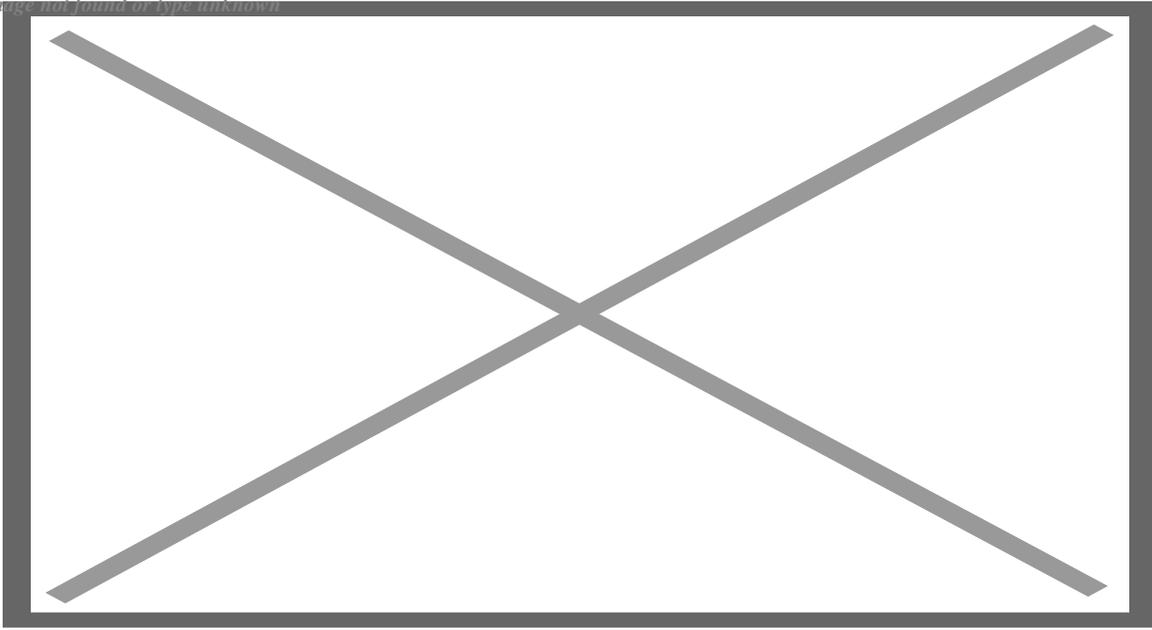


Sabotage of the electricity system in Honduras denounced

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The Honduran Energy Department indicated that the system is presenting an increase of around 30 failures per day. | Photo: EFE

Tegucigalpa, June 16 (RHC)-- The Secretary of State in the Office of Energy of Honduras, Erick Tejada has denounced that the people and users are subjected to sabotage at a national level, due to attacks against the electrical system of the Central American country.

The official assured that each attack that is proven to be intentional against the generation of electricity and other energy services will be documented to investigate and criminally charge both companies and public and private persons.

Tejada revealed that one of the sabotage actions was the spilling of 14 barrels of oil with the purpose of contaminating the dam and the Patuca River. He also revealed how a turbine was crossed by two metal beams hindering the generation of between 18 and 40 MegaWatts.

These events have seriously damaged the electrical service of the Department of Olancho, as well as the municipalities of Danlí and El Paraíso, in the department of the same name, where the thermal generating plants have an installed capacity of 850 MegaWatts.

The manager of the Empresa Nacional de Energía Eléctrica (ENEE) pointed out that "the interruptions at national level are the result of the atypical unavailability of thermal energy, with the companies hiding behind the fact that the machines overheat due to the high temperatures and the high dispatch."

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