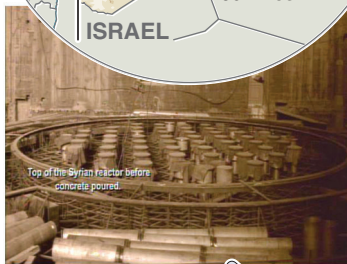




# UN to probe Syria reactor claim

The U.S. administration has come under heavy criticism for withholding for over eight months details of an alleged Syrian nuclear reactor built with North Korean help

**Al Kibar:** Site of alleged nuclear facility, destroyed by Israeli raid, Sep 2007



Top of the Syrian reactor before concrete poured.

Picture of control rod and refuelling ports of Al Kibar (above) shows distinct similarities with North Korea's **Yongbyon** reactor

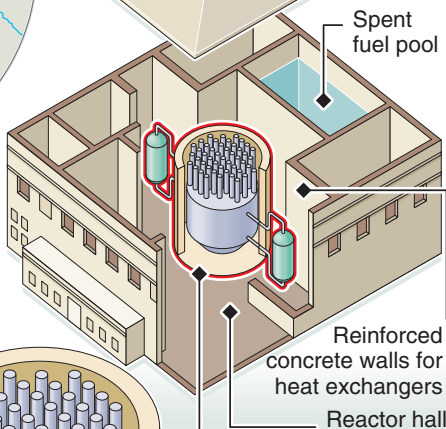
Reinforced concrete  
Steel liner vessel

**No evidence found of reprocessing plant to extract plutonium from used uranium fuel rods**

## U.S. CLAIMS

**Structure:** Typical of gas-cooled, graphite-moderated reactor capable of producing weapons-grade plutonium

**Only N Korea has built this type of reactor in last 35 years**



## Reactor

**Not configured for electricity production – no power lines from site found**

