

# Watchtower, Mayday In Kiev

IN A NATION WITH A DANGEROUS PENCHANT FOR SECRECY  
A DREAD DISASTER AT CHERNOBYL WAS CONCEALED  
AS A POISONING CLOUD SPREAD OVER THE EASTERN BLOC  
ALARMING INFORMATION WAS RELUCTANTLY REVEALED

AN EXPLOSION IN REACTOR FOUR-A FIRE REFUSING TO CEASE  
NO CONTAINMENT WALLS PREVENTING RADIOACTIVE RELEASE  
EVIDENCE THAT PEACEFUL TECHNOLOGY HAD GONE AWRY  
MORE CATASTROPHICALLY THAN WINDSCALE OR TMI

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SEVERE POLITICAL FALLOUT-TOXIC EXCHANGE OF WORDS  
SOVIET OBSCURANTISM-UNDER VERBAL ATTACK  
ABROAD, OUTRAGED COUNTRIES APPEAL FOR INFORMATION  
MET WITH GRUDGING RIPOSTE, HESITANT PLACATION  
AT HOME, TASS REPORTS NO DANGER-NOTHING TO FEAR  
AS DEADLY ELEMENTAL ISOTOPES SPEW IN THE BIOSPHERE

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THE UNLEASHED POWER OF THE ATOM-A WARNING FROM THE PAST  
THE BENEFITS OF TECHNOLOGY ARE REVERSED BY CARELESS HUMAN ERROR  
SCIENCE-ONCE A SAVIOR. NOW AN EFFECTIVE DESTROYER  
WE MUST APPLY OUR KNOWLEDGE WITH CARE  
(ENTOMBED IN CONCRETE, CHERNOBYL WILL FOREVER REMAIN,  
A MONUMENT TO THE CHILLING EFFECTS OF NEGLIGENCE