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**From:** Sullivan, Jacob J <SullivanJJ@state.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2011 10:12 AM  
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**Subject:** Fw: Update 1: Former Afghan Leader Killed in Explosion

Fyi. Not good.

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**From:** OpsAlert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2011 09:46 AM  
**Subject:** Update 1: Former Afghan Leader Killed in Explosion

(SBU) Embassy Kabul reports the Ministry of Interior confirmed former Afghan President and current Chairman of the High Peace Council Burhanuddin Rabbani was killed in the explosion.

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**From:** OpsAlert@state.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 20, 2011 9:31:41 AM  
**To:**  
**CC:**  
**Subject:** Possible Bomb Explosion Near Embassy Kabul (SBU)

(SBU) The Diplomatic Security Command Center reports the blast may have been caused by a propane tank or a natural gas line located 300 meters from the Embassy.? The Embassy remains in duck and cover status and is investigating whether any COM personnel were impacted.

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