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AZERBAIJAN ACCUSES IRAN ON SECURITY AFTER GUNMAN ATTACKS EMBASSY

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Azerbaijan accused Iran of failing to protect its diplomatic mission after a gunman killed the security chief at its embassy in Tehran and wounded two other guards in an attack Friday.

Amid growing tensions between the neighboring states, the Foreign Ministry in Baku said Iranian authorities had failed to take measures to ensure the security of the embassy despite repeated warnings by Azerbaijan. Embassy staff and their families in Tehran will be evacuated from Iran after the terrorist attack, the ministry said in a statement.

Iranian police detained the gunman and an initial investigation showed he acted from a completely personal motive, Irans state television reported, citing Mohammad Shahriyari, superintendent of the Tehran prosecutors office for criminal affairs.

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