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WARNING OF CENTRAL COMPUTING SERVICE INTERRUPTION

We apologise for an unavoidable interruption to Computer Centre services between the evening of Friday 13th February and the evening of Saturday 14th February. POWER to the Centre (B513) will be OFF between these times for the annual verification that the power supply infrastructure conforms to CERN's safety and security regulations. The work has been planned in this way to minimise its duration and so that all necessary staff can be available to restore services as rapidly as possible. This allowed most services to run without interruption over Christmas, when absences would have resulted in much longer recovery times. The work includes checks of the Emergency Stops, the evacuation alarms and the smoke evacuation equipment, as well as tests of the mechanisms for switching to backup power sources and maintenance of the distribution systems from the uninterruptable power supplies.

As in previous years, key Communications and Mail systems will be kept alive by switching them to an alternative (but limited capacity) power source, sometime prior to the power-off. All other equipment in the Computer Centre must be powered-down in a controlled way prior to 18:00 on Friday 13th February. The detailed schedule for stopping the various services will be published in Computing NEWS and in the next Weekly Bulletin.

Once power is available again at 20:00 on Saturday 14th February the systems will be progressively brought back into service. In view of the various interdependencies, this will certainly take several hours.