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wine Flu Worries Spark Cambridge Jail Riot isoners Evacuated After Middlesex Jail Floods

MBRIDGE (WBZ) — Inmate fears over an apparent swine flu outbreak sparked a riot at the Middlesex County Jail in Cambridge on Sunday.

veral prisoners became unruly, breaking sprinkler heads which in t flooded the entire building. The jail's fire suppression system was also damaged
d power to the entire facility had to be cut

he flooding w down from the 18th floor all the way through the building into the lobby and it was cascading down the elevator shaft," said Middlesex
unity Sheriff Jar DiPaola. He said the damage was the work of just nine inmates.

e holds about 400 inmates. One hundred and eighty-seven prisoners who face the most serious charges were bused to other local corrections
illitie: generator was brought in to supply power to the remaining inmates.

aola said the disturbance started after fears of H1N1 influenza swine flu, spread.

st week one inmate was diagnosed with a likely c: of H1N1 and put in medical quarantine. Over the weekend ten more inmates were diagnosed with
flu and put into isolation. Two correctional officers ε have the flu.

ording to the Sheriff's office, the Middlesex Jail v built to hold 160 prisoners. The prisoner population as of Sunday was 403.

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187 prisoners were bused to other local corrections facilities.

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