

## **US-Led Forces Kill Two Afghan Civilians**

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US-led soldiers have raided a village in northern Afghanistan, shooting dead two civilians and abducting about 20 others.

The incident took place on Wednesday, when US-led forces opened fire from helicopters on civilians in the suburbs of Mazar-e-Sharif, the capital of Balkh province, a Press TV correspondent reported.

Upon landing, the soldiers entered a brick production workshop firing at the surrendered workers, killing two and injuring several others, including a child.

A video footage obtained by Press TV shows how one of the victims was killed and the child was wounded.

The wounded child is reportedly in a coma. The US troops have also burnt several houses belonging to the villagers.

This is not the first time that Afghan civilians are being killed or abducted for unclear reasons.

Afghan officials repeatedly protest such attacks and civilians hold frequent demonstrations against such raids.

The continuous killing of civilians by foreign forces has caused deep resentment among the Afghan population. Over 2,400 civilians were killed in Afghanistan last year.

The United States and its allies claim that militant hideouts are being targeted in their military operations. However, most of the attacks have resulted in heavy civilian casualties.

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