

# *Four U.S. Soldiers Killed in Afghanistan*

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Kabul, October 8 (RHC)-- At least four U.S. soldiers have been killed in a bomb attack in southern Afghanistan, according to military officials. The U.S.-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said in a statement issued in Kabul that the fatalities occurred "during a partnered operation in southern Afghanistan."

A military official speaking on condition of anonymity has confirmed that the soldiers were all Americans and were killed by an improvised explosive device. The Taliban have claimed responsibility for the attack, saying several U.S. occupation forces were killed and wounded.

Earlier, a U.S.-led trooper was killed after an Afghan soldier turned his gun on him in the troubled southern region of Afghanistan. The latest deaths bring the number of U.S.-led soldiers killed in Afghanistan this year to at least 140.

The increasing number of military casualties in Afghanistan has caused widespread anger in the United States and other NATO member states, undermining public support for the Afghan war.



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