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British-Swedish journalist shot dead in capital Kabul

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A British-Swedish journalist was shot dead by unknown gunmen in capital Kabul on Tuesday, police officials said.

The incident took place near a busy roundabout in Wazir Akbar area of Kabul city on Tuesday morning.

Nils Horner who was working for a Swedish radio was injured following the attack and succumbed to his injuries on the way to the hospital. The gunman who used a pistol with a silencer managed to flee the area after opening fire on Mr. Horner.

He was travelling from his hotel to the runs of a restaurant bombed by Taliban in January, and was planning to meet a survivor there for a report.

A source in the ministry of interior affairs of Afghanistan said the interpreters of the journalist have been held by police for further investigation regarding the death of Mr. Horner.

British and Swedish embassies in capital Kabul said they were investigating reports regarding the assassination of one of their nationals in Kabul city.

No group including the Taliban militants has so far claimed responsibility behind the attack so far.