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Haqqani network Ramadan attack plots foiled in **Khost province**

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A group of Haggani network militants who were planning to carry out attacks during the holy month of Ramadan was busted by the Afghan intelligence operatives.

The Afghan Intelligence, National Directorate of Security (NDS), said the group included 11 fighters who were operating under the supervision of Haqqani terrorist network in Khost province.

NDS in a statement said the intelligence operatives confiscated 11 Ak-47 rifles, 26 other types of weapons, 18 rounds of 82mm rockets, 5 pistols, 6000 rounds of different ammunition from the detained militants.

The anti-government armed militant groups have not commented regarding the report so far.

Haqqani network was formed in the late 1970s by Jalaluddin Haqqani. The group is allied with al-Qaida and the Afghan Taliban and cooperates with other terrorist organizations in the region.

The network is accused of staging numerous cross-border attacks from their base in North Waziristan, including the 19-hour siege at the US Embassy in Kabul in September 2011.

The Haqqani network is believed to be operating from its safe havens located in Pakistan as the Afghan officials have long been critizing Pakistan for allowing the network to use the Pakistani soil to plan and coordinate attacks in Afghanistan.