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NATO airstrike kills teenagers in Logar

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A NATO airstrike killed three teenage boys in the Baraki Barak district of central Logar province, an official said on Tuesday.

The strike took place on Sunday evening in the Tokal village, the district chief, Mohammad Rahim Amin, told Pajhwok Afghan News.

The dead included two 18 years old and one 12-year-old boys, he said, adding an investigation had been launched into the attack.

Resident Abdullah said NATO helicopters targeted villagers who were playing games, killing three of them.

He asked the government to thoroughly investigate the incident because the slain boys had no connection with any insurgent group.

ISAF media office in Kabul said the incident was being investigated and details would be released later.

Elsewhere, a civilian car hit a roadside bomb in the Marja district of southern Helmand province, killing one occupant of the car and injuring three others.

The Tuesday morning blast happened in Qari Sadi area of the district, the governor's spokesman Omar Zwak said. Two children were among the injured, he said.

The blast came a week after four civilians were killed in a similar incident elsewhere in the province.