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## Militants kill 3 US troops in Paktiya province of Afghanistan

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Three NATO service members were killed in militants attack in eastern Afghanistan on Sunday.

NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) following a statement announced, “Three International Security Assistance Force service members died following an enemies of Afghanistan attack in eastern Afghanistan today.”

The statement did not disclose further information regarding the exact location of the incident and nationalities of the deceased soldiers.

International Security Assistance Force generally do not disclose identities of the NATO soldiers killed in Afghanistan saying, “It is ISAF policy to defer casualty identification procedures to the relevant national authorities.”

However, reports suggest that the NATO service members who were killed in today’s incident were American troops, and the incident took place in eastern Paktiya province of Afghanistan.

The deaths bring the number of fatalities among foreign troops this year to 114, according to the independent icasualties.org website, which recorded 402 such deaths in 2012.