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Afghan soldier who attacked Australian troops has been shot dead

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An Afghan national army soldier who shot and wounded three Australian troops at southern Uruzgan province of Afghanistan in late 2011, has been shot dead by by Afghan forces during an engagement this week.

The Australian prime minister Kevin Rudd on Thursday confirmed that the Afghan army soldier, Mohammad Roozi was shot dead by Afghan forces. He was reportedly killed on Tuesday night in an engagement by Afghan troops.

During a visit to Darwin, the Australian prime minister, Kevin Rudd said, "I've been advised that Afghan forces supported by the Australian and ISAF elements have killed Mohammad Roozi, the former Afghan National Army soldier who shot and wounded three Australian soldiers."

"This combined operation involved months of focused intelligence and professional work by the Australian Defence Force in concert with the International Security Assistance Force," Mr Rudd quoted by Associated Press said.

He also added, "Once again I commend the absolute professionalism of the Australian Defence Force in the field."

Mohammad Roozi following the attack appeared in a Taliban video and said he wanted to kill foreigners and teach them a lesson. He said he was a Muslim and did not accept foreigners working alongside him.