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US-led raid leaves 2 civilians dead in central Afghanistan

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At least two civilians have been killed and two others wounded when US-led foreign forces carried out an attack in Afghanistan's central province of Wardak, Press TV reports.

Local residents said foreign troops raided Goli Khel village in the Sayd Abad district of the province, located 97 kilometers (about 60 miles) southwest of Kabul, on Saturday, and blew up the main entrance to several houses to open up their way into the buildings.

Locals identified the victims as civilians, adding that a woman was among the dead. US-led military forces have reportedly laid siege to the village.

The US-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) has not yet confirmed any casualties, and made no comments on the attack.

On July 3, twenty people were killed and nine others injured when foreign forces carried out an air raid in the Musa Khel district of Afghanistan's eastern province of Khost.

It came a day after four people were killed in US-led airstrikes in the Miyanishin district of the southern province of Kandahar.

On June 29, eight people were killed when US-led foreign forces launched two separate airstrikes in Paktia and Kandahar provinces.

On June 22, at least 30 people were killed after US-led forces launched an airstrike in Afghanistan's southeastern province of Paktika.

Civilian casualties have long been a source of friction between the Afghan government and US-led forces, and have dramatically increased anti-US sentiments in the war-torn country.

The United States and its allies invaded Afghanistan in October 2001 as part of Washington's so-called war on terror.

The offensive removed the Taliban from power, but insecurity continues to rise across the country, despite the presence of thousands of US-led troops.