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## At Least Six NATO Troops Killed in Afghanistan

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At least six NATO soldiers were killed across Afghanistan today in five separate attacks, one of the deadliest incidents in recent weeks. [The deaths bring the overall toll for February to 34 killed, an increase from the 32 killed in January.](#)

So far the nationalities of the slain were not released, except for one who was reported to be an Italian soldier. [The soldier was killed by an IED in Herat Province, and four other Italian soldiers were “seriously injured” in the incident.](#)

Four others were killed in Eastern Afghanistan, three in a pair of roadside bombings and a fourth in an insurgent attack. The fifth soldier was killed in southern Afghanistan, though officials did not indicate how.

The [attacks come amid reports that the US and other NATO member nations have been bribing the Taliban in an attempt to lower the number of attacks.](#) Though the death toll is down somewhat from 2010 so far this year, officials are predicting an overall increase.