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US-led attack kills Afghan woman

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A NATO raid in Afghanistan has killed an Afghan woman and injured eleven others amid growing public discontent over such attacks.

Afghan officials say the overnight raid targeted civilians in Paktia Province and most of the injured were women and children.

The raid reportedly took place as NATO forces conducted a search operation to find militants holed up in the area.

The attack comes one day after a NATO airstrike killed 10 Afghan security personnel that were escorting a supply convoy for foreign troops in Ghazni Province.

Hundreds of Afghan civilians have lost their lives in US-led airstrikes and ground operations in various parts of Afghanistan over the past few months.

The frequent attacks have resulted in growing anti-American sentiments.

Meanwhile, militants have warned of a fresh wave of attacks against foreign troops, Afghan security forces and government officials. They say the operations will focus on military centers, places of gathering, airbases, and military convoys.

They have also warned that Afghan government buildings will be targeted and have called on Afghan civilians to stay away from such centers.

Violence across Afghanistan hit record levels in 2010, making it the year with the most number of civilian and military casualties since the start of the US-led war in 2001.