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Local Officials: NATO Helicopters Killed Three Afghan Women

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At least three women were killed today and two men were wounded when NATO helicopters attacked a civilian neighborhood in Kandahar Province's Zhari District, according to the provincial governor's office.

NATO has so far declined comment on the attack one way or another to the press, but the governor's spokesman said they had acknowledged the incident to their office.

The attack is the second major NATO strike on the district in as many weeks, as <u>an attack last</u> week on <u>Zhari</u> killed nine civilians, including six children.

There was no indication of any activity around the area that would be expected to lead to "air support" being called in, and the governor's office says at least four rockets were fired at the civilian houses.