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## Malfunctioning US missile caused casualties in the airstrike during Kabul attack

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<sup>[1]</sup>The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) confirmed several people were killed or wounded in an airstrike carried out by the US forces during the militants attack on Kabul airport.

“During a failed attack today, insurgents fired several rounds of high-explosive ammunition, including mortars, into the vicinity of Hamid Karzai International Airport and detonated suicide vests endangering a great number of civilians,” a statement by the Resolute Support Mission said.

The statement further added that the Afghan Crisis Response Unit 222 responded quickly to confront the attackers and end the assault. U.S. forces acting in support conducted an airstrike. “Tragically, one of the missiles malfunctioned, causing several casualties.”

“Resolute Support deeply regrets the harm to non-combatants. We take every precaution to avoid civilian casualties, even as the enemies of Afghanistan continue to operate in locations that deliberately put civilians at very high risk,”the statement added.

No further details were given regarding the exact number of the casualties in the airstrike with the alliance saying “An investigation into the attack and the malfunctioning ammunition has begun. More details about the attack will be made available in the days to follow.”

The Ministry of Interior spokesman Najib Danish said earlier last night that the dead bodies of four attackers were recovered from the scene and at least one civilian was killed and eleven others were wounded in the attack.