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Taliban militants attack NATO convoy, kill 3 in west Afghanistan

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At least three people have been killed in a militant attack on a convoy carrying fuel for US-led forces in Afghanistan's western Farah Province, Press TV reports.

The Taliban militants torched six NATO tankers, killing three Afghan security guards serving with a private security firm and injuring four others in the town of Bakwa late Monday, Afghan security officials said.

"Six tankers, transferring fuel to US-led foreign forces have been torched by armed Taliban militants," an Afghan security official told **Press TV**.

Private security firms in western Afghanistan are tasked with escorting the NATO fuel tankers in the country.

Several Taliban fighters were also killed and injured in the incident, but the exact figure of their casualties is not available yet, he said.

The highway linking Herat to the Delaram region has for long been an insecure route for convoys carrying fuel supplies for foreign forces in Afghanistan.

Despite the presence of nearly 130,000 American troops in Afghanistan, security and calm have never been restored in the Asian country since the 2001 US-led invasion as terror and militancy have become more rampant.