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2 ISAF personnel killed in Logar copter crash

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PUL-I-ALAM (*PAN*): A helicopter of the International Security Assistance Force (*ISAF*) crashed in the central province of Logar, killing two coalition personnel, the alliance said on Wednesday.

Without giving the exact location, the *NATO*-led force said in a brief statement that an investigation had been launched into the incident that resulted resulting in two ISAF fatalities.

“We can confirm that an ISAF helicopter crashed in eastern Afghanistan this afternoon. As in all aircraft incidents, the details of the crash remain under investigation,” the IAF media office said.

The helicopter made an emergency landing during the a joint operation by Afghan and ISAF forces in the Taliban-dominated Babus area on the outskirts of Pul-i-Alam, the capital of Logar, the deputy police chief said.

Col. Rais Khan Sadiq, confirming the crash to Pajhwok Afghan News, would not comment on Taliban’s claim that they had shot down the chopper. He said that several insurgents suffered casualties in the operation.

A resident of the area, Ahmad Javed, said two helicopters of foreign troops crashed and caught fire in the area. Afghan and NATO soldiers ringed the area during the ongoing operation, he added.

Earlier in the day, Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid said the fighter had shot down two NATO helicopters, killing several Afghan and foreign soldiers on board.

