

# *Renegade General in Libya Launches Fresh Assault in Benghazi*

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Tripoli, June 16 (RHC)-- In Libya, as many as 12 people have died in fighting after a renegade general launched a renewed assault on militants in Benghazi.

According to reports from Tripoli, Khalifa Haftar, who helped overthrow Muammar Gaddafi in a NATO-backed operation in 2011, has been joined by a number of army units in his bid to root out Islamist militants.

The violence marks the worst fighting in weeks and comes less than two weeks before Libya's parliamentary elections.



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