U.S. Airstrikes Kill 26 in South and East Afghanistan



Kabul, August 11 (RHC)-- More than two dozen people have been killed in two U.S. airstrikes in Afghanistan's east and south. On Sunday, a drone attack in the eastern province of Nangarhar left at least five people dead and wounded at least two children. Earlier in the day, another airstrike in the southern province of Helmand claimed the lives of at least 21 people.

The United States carries out targeted killings through drone strikes in several Muslim countries such as Yemen, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Somalia.

Washington claims the targets of the drones are militants, but local officials and witnesses maintain that civilians have been the main victims over the past few years. The Afghan people and the country's officials have protested about the civilian casualties on numerous occasions, but Washington continues the drone attacks.

The United Nations and several human rights organizations have identified the United States as the world's number one user of targeted killings, largely due to its drone attacks in Pakistan and Afghanistan.



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