

Drone Strike Kills Five in Afghanistan



Kabul, October 23 (RHC)-- At least five people have been killed by a US drone strike in Afghanistan's eastern Nangarhar province. According to local officials, the casualties from Wednesday's attack were all members of the Taliban militant group.

On September 9th, three people were killed and two others injured in another US drone strike in Nangarhar. The U.S. carries out targeted killings through drone strikes in several Muslim countries, such as Yemen, Pakistan, Afghanistan and Somalia.

Washington claims the targets of the drone attacks are militants, but local officials and witnesses maintain that civilians have been the main victims of the attacks over the past few years.

The Afghan people and the country's officials have protested about the civilian casualties on numerous occasions, but the U.S. drone attacks continue unabated.

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



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