LANDMINE CLEARANCE WORKERS KILLED IN AFGHAN AMBUSH

Four Afghans working for a non-governmental landmine clearance agency have been shot dead by suspected Taliban militants in western Afghanistan.

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Officials in Farah province which borders Iran say three people were killed at the scene and a fourth died later from his wounds.

The victims, members of the Organisation for Mine Clearance and Awareness (OMAR) in Afghanistan, were travelling from Farah to Herat province when suspected Taliban militants attacked their vehicles.

Officials say two OMAR vehicles were sprayed with bullets by gunmen who overtook them in a station wagon.

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