U.S. Military Helicopter Crashes Near Strait of Hormuz



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A U.S. Army Apache attack helicopter has crashed near the strategically important Strait of Hormuz. However, U.S. President Donald Trump confirmed that the two pilots aboard survived the incident without injuries.

Trump shared the information on Monday (June 8) while speaking to reporters at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport after arriving there following the NBA Finals game.

According to The New York Times, the exact cause of the crash remains unclear. Authorities have not yet confirmed whether the incident was caused by hostile fire or a technical malfunction.

The report also noted that military tensions and patrol operations around the Strait of Hormuz have increased in recent weeks, making the region even more sensitive. The waterway is considered one of the world's most important oil shipping routes.

The incident came shortly after renewed exchanges of attacks between Israel and Iran, further escalating tensions across the Middle East. Analysts believe the ongoing conflict has placed regional diplomatic stability at greater risk.

Meanwhile, no immediate official statement regarding the crash has been issued by the White House, the U.S. State Department, or Central Command (CENTCOM).

On the other hand, President Trump stated that discussions with Iran are still "ongoing," despite the rising regional tensions.