

Two Killed in Azerbaijan-Armenia Border Clashes - July 12, 2020

Armenia and Azerbaijan on 12 July traded accusations of launching a military offensive using artillery fire along their shared border, with Baku reporting two troops killed.

Azerbaijan's defense ministry said Armenia's "offensive" from its northern Tovuz region was met with a "counterstrike" and retreated. "Two Azerbaijani servicemen were killed and five more wounded," it added. Yerevan, on its part, accused Baku of "using artillery in an attack aimed at capturing (Armenian) positions." The two former Soviet republics have for decades been locked in a simmering conflict over Nagorno Karabakh, a breakaway territory which was at the heart of a bloody war in the 1990s.