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PEJ News - C. L. Cook - The Canadian Press ([CP](#)) is reporting tonight the deaths of two Canadian soldiers, part of the roughly 2500 soldier-strong contingent in Afghanistan. The pair were killed in a suicide bomb attack against a convoy in Kandahar.

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While CBC television news flagship The National's lead tonight was Stephen Harper's latest gambit to dismantle Canada, the recognition of "the Quebecois people" as a nation within Canada, two more Canadians died fighting for the national integrity of Afghanistan today.

In the first fatal casualties for Canadian soldiers following a spate of deaths in September and October, the pair, identified only as serving with the Royal Canadian Regiment based in Petawawa, fell following a suicide car attack against their Bison armoured vehicle as it rode in convoy on the road outside Kandahar Airfield.

Speaking of the attack, Brigadier General Timothy Grant, commander of Canadian Forces in Afghanistan called the attack an act of desperation by the Taliban, saying it would only strengthen the Canadian's resolve;

"Although they have lost good friends, it will only harden them more to make sure they carry on with the mission and bring it to a successful conclusion."

Lieutenant Comander Kris Phillips was more matter-of-fact, saying;

"It's simply a suicide attack. I don't want to make light of it but this is something they have deployed in the past and this is something they will deploy again in the future."