Claim

Claim: "



This image shows a US F-16 fighter jet which was shot down in August 2024 in airspace over the Black Sea after refusing to obey Russian orders."

Actions

reverse_search(![image 5] (media/6.jpg))

Evidence

Evidence from reverse_search

The image shows a Russian Air Force MiG-29S Fulcrum involved in a mid-air collision during a British air show in 1993. The photo was taken on July 24, 1993, in Fairford, United Kingdom. The pilot can be seen ejecting.



The image is also available on websites that provide HD wallpapers. The image is not of a US F-16 fighter jet shot down in August 2024.

The sources are: <u>Source</u>, <u>Source</u>, and <u>Source</u>.

Elaboration

The image depicts a Russian MiG-29S Fulcrum, not a US F-16 fighter jet. The event occurred in 1993 during a British air show, not in August 2024 over the Black Sea. The pilot is ejecting from the aircraft, indicating a mid-air collision.

Final Judgement

The claim is demonstrably false. The image shows a Russian MiG-29S Fulcrum, not a US F-16, and the event occurred in 1993, not in August 2024. The context of the image is misrepresented. false

Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The image shows a Russian MiG-29S Fulcrum involved in a mid-air collision during a British air show in 1993, not a US F-16 fighter jet shot down in August 2024 as claimed. The pilot is ejecting from the aircraft. The image is available on websites that provide HD wallpapers. Key sources include <u>Airteam Images</u>, <u>Peakpx</u>, and <u>AFP Fact Check</u>.