

# Claim

Claim: "



This image shows a US drone which was shot down in March 2025 by the Houthis using Russian missiles."

## Actions

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geolocate(![image 20](media/62.jpg))  
reverse_search(![image 20](media/62.jpg))  
web_search("drone shot down Houthis Russian missiles")
```

## Evidence

### Evidence from **geolocate**

The most likely countries where the image was taken are: {'Israel': 0.64, 'Palestine': 0.13, 'United Arab Emirates': 0.12, 'Jordan': 0.08, 'Tunisia': 0.01, 'Albania': 0.0, 'Andorra': 0.0, 'Argentina': 0.0, 'Australia': 0.0, 'Austria': 0.0}

### Evidence from **reverse\_search**

The image



## Evidence from web\_search

The Atlantic Council reports that the Houthis have shot down US MQ-9 Reaper drones, with the Houthis claiming to have downed fourteen MQ-9 Reaper drones since November 2023. The article mentions that Iran mediated talks between Russia and the Houthis that led to Moscow supplying Russian-made advanced anti-ship cruise missiles to the group. [Source](#)

NPR reports that Houthi rebels have shot down 7 US Reaper drones in recent weeks. [Source](#) The Wikipedia article discusses the Red Sea crisis, which began in October 2023, and mentions the Houthis launching attacks on vessels in the Red Sea and receiving retaliatory strikes from the US and allies. The Houthis use weapons of Russian, Chinese, or Iranian origin, including missiles and UAVs. The article also mentions the US Navy shooting down



Houthi rockets and missiles in the Red Sea. [Source](#)

## Elaboration

The evidence suggests that the Houthis have shot down US MQ-9 Reaper drones. The Atlantic Council reports that the Houthis have claimed to have downed fourteen MQ-9 Reaper drones since November 2023. The NPR article states that the Houthis have shot down 7 US Reaper drones in recent weeks. The Wikipedia article mentions that the Houthis use weapons of Russian, Chinese, or Iranian origin, including missiles and UAVs.

The image's location is most likely in Israel. The claim states that the image shows a US drone shot down by the Houthis. However, the evidence does not confirm the image's origin or the type of aircraft involved.

The claim is partially supported by the evidence, as the Houthis have shot down US drones. However, the evidence does not confirm that the image depicts a US drone shot down by the

Houthis. More information is needed to verify the claim.

## Actions

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web_search("drone crash site location")  
web_search("drone crash site Israel")
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## Evidence

### Evidence from **web\_search**

The search results discuss drone sightings and crashes. One article from CNN mentions drone sightings in New Jersey near Picatinny Arsenal and Naval Weapons Station Earle. Another article from nj1015.com reports a drone crash near power lines in Hillsborough, New Jersey, but no drone was found. The Escape from Tarkov Wiki discusses a quest involving crashed UAVs in the game. The image



### Evidence from **web\_search**

Al Jazeera reports that two Lebanese soldiers were killed while investigating an Israeli drone crash in southern Lebanon in August 2025. (<https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/8/28/two-lebanese-soldiers-killed-in-israeli-drone-explosion-in-southern-lebanon>) The Jerusalem Post reports that an Iranian Shahed 136 drone crashed into a building in Beit She'an, Israel, in June 2025. (<https://www.jpost.com/israel-news/defense-news/article-858463>) The Times of Israel reports that an Israeli Air Force Hermes 900 drone was shot down over Iran in June 2025. (<https://www.timesofisrael.com/in-first-israeli-drone-shot-down-over-iran-idf-says-no-fear-of-information-leaking/>)



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## Elaboration

The evidence indicates that drone crashes have occurred in Israel. The Jerusalem Post reports an Iranian Shahed 136 drone crashed in Beit She'an, Israel, in June 2025. The Times of Israel reports an Israeli Air Force Hermes 900 drone was shot down over Iran in June 2025. The Al Jazeera article mentions an Israeli drone crash in southern Lebanon in August 2025.

The claim is not supported by the evidence. The evidence does not confirm that the image depicts a US drone shot down by the Houthis.

## Final Judgement

The evidence suggests that drone crashes have occurred in Israel, but there is no evidence to support the claim that the image shows a US drone shot down by the Houthis. The image's origin and the type of aircraft involved are not confirmed.

false

**Verdict: FALSE**

## Justification

The claim is false. While the Houthis have shot down US drones, and drone crashes have occurred in Israel, there is no evidence to support the claim that the image depicts a US drone shot down by the Houthis. The image's origin and the type of aircraft involved are not confirmed.