# 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("US drone shot down Houthis Russian missiles")
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# **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 shot down a US MQ-9 Reaper drone over Yemen on December 28, 2024, and claimed to have shot down a second US-made drone in the Marib governorate in 2025. The Houthis have claimed responsibility for downing fourteen MQ-9 Reaper drones since November 2023. 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 and CNN report that the Houthis have shot down seven U.S. Reaper drones in recent weeks. The CNN article, published on April 25, 2025, discusses the Houthis' successful targeting of US drones, hindering the US military campaign in Yemen. The US launched a major military campaign against the Houthi rebel group in Yemen on March 15. <a href="Source">Source</a>, <a href="Source">Source</a>.



### **Elaboration**

The evidence suggests that the Houthis have shot down US drones. The Atlantic Council reports that the Houthis shot down a US MQ-9 Reaper drone over Yemen on December 28, 2024, and claimed to have shot down a second US-made drone in the Marib governorate in 2025. NPR and CNN also report that the Houthis have shot down seven U.S. Reaper drones in recent weeks. The CNN article, published on April 25, 2025, discusses the Houthis' successful targeting of US drones, hindering the US military campaign in Yemen.

The image's location is most likely in Israel. However, the evidence does not confirm that the image depicts a US drone shot down by the Houthis using Russian missiles. The evidence does not provide any information about the image.

Therefore, the claim cannot be verified based on the provided evidence. More information is needed to confirm the claim.

## Final Judgement

The provided evidence confirms that the Houthis have shot down US drones, but it does not provide any information about the image. The image's location is most likely in Israel.

The claim is not supported by the evidence, as the image's origin and context are not verified. Therefore, the claim is considered false. false

#### **Verdict: FALSE**

#### **Justification**

The claim is not supported by the evidence. While the Houthis have shot down US drones, as reported by the <u>Atlantic Council</u>, <u>NPR</u>, and <u>CNN</u>, the image's origin and context are not verified. The image's location is most likely in Israel.