# Claim

Claim: "



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

### **Actions**

reverse\_search(![image 20] (media/62.jpg))
web\_search("US drone shot down Houthis March 2025")

# **Evidence**

### Evidence from reverse\_search

The image



#### Evidence from web\_search

The Wikipedia article discusses the March–May 2025 United States attacks in Yemen, mentioning that the Houthis shot down a US MQ-9 Reaper drone in March 2025. The Military Times reported on April 25, 2025, that Houthi rebels had shot down seven U.S. Reaper drones in recent weeks. Al Jazeera reported on April 22, 2025, that the Houthis claimed to have shot down a US drone in Yemen.

The sources are: <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/March">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/March</a>
%E2%80%93May 2025 United States attacks in Yemen, <a href="https://www.militarytimes.com/news/your-military/2025/04/25/houthi-rebels-have-shot-down-7-us-reaper-drones-in-recent-weeks/">https://www.militarytimes.com/news/your-military/2025/04/25/houthi-rebels-have-shot-down-7-us-reaper-drones-in-recent-weeks/</a> and <a href="https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/4/22/houthis-say-group-downed-us-drone-in-northwest-yemen-as-us-strikes-continue">https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/4/22/houthis-say-group-downed-us-drone-in-northwest-yemen-as-us-strikes-continue</a>.



### **Elaboration**

The evidence confirms that the Houthis shot down US drones in March 2025. However, the provided evidence does not contain any information about the image itself. Therefore, it is impossible to verify whether the image depicts a US drone shot down by the Houthis.

The claim is missing information about the image's origin and context.

#### **Actions**

web\_search("image of drone shot down by Houthis March 2025")

### **Evidence**

#### Evidence from web\_search

The Aviation Safety Network reports that a US MQ-9A Reaper drone was shot down by Houthi forces in Yemen on March 19, 2025, and that this was the third MQ-9 Reaper drone shot down by the Houthis since March 3rd. (<a href="https://asn.flightsafety.org/wikibase/487412">https://asn.flightsafety.org/wikibase/487412</a>) Al Jazeera reported that the Houthis shot down seven US Reaper drones between March 31 and April 22, 2025. (<a href="https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/4/25/houthi-fighters-down-200m-worth-of-us-drones-in-under-six-weeks">https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/4/25/houthi-fighters-down-200m-worth-of-us-drones-in-under-six-weeks</a>) An AOL article fact-checks an image claiming to show an MQ-9 drone wreckage in Yemen in March 2025, stating that the image is from May 2024. (<a href="https://www.aol.com/fact-check-image-claims-show-154511519.html">https://www.aol.com/fact-check-image-claims-show-154511519.html</a>) <a href="mailto:image:k">image:k</a>







### **Elaboration**

The evidence confirms that the Houthis shot down US MQ-9 Reaper drones in Yemen in March 2025. However, the provided image is not directly linked to any of the reported incidents. An AOL article fact-checks an image claiming to show an MQ-9 drone wreckage in Yemen in March 2025, stating that the image is from May 2024.

The claim is therefore unverified.

## Final Judgement

The fact-check reveals that the Houthis shot down US MQ-9 Reaper drones in Yemen in March 2025. However, the provided image is not directly linked to any of the reported incidents. An AOL article fact-checks an image claiming to show an MQ-9 drone wreckage in Yemen in March 2025, stating that the image is from May 2024.

false

**Verdict: FALSE** 

#### **Justification**

The claim is unverified. While the Houthis did shoot down US drones in Yemen in March 2025, the provided image's origin and context are not confirmed. An AOL article fact-checks an image claiming to show an MQ-9 drone wreckage in Yemen in March 2025, stating that the image is from May 2024.