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### **Update: California-based U.S. Marine jet crashes**

**ROYAL AIR FORCE LAKENHEATH, England ( 10:10 a.m. (EDT) Oct. 21, 2015)** - A Third Marine Aircraft Wing F/A-18C Hornet belonging to Marine Attack Fighter Squadron 232 stationed at Marine Corps Air Station Miramar crashed in the vicinity of Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England at approximately 5:30 a.m. (EDT), today.

As part of a mission returning from the Middle East, the aircraft was transiting from Bahrain to Miramar in a flight of six aircraft when it crashed approximately six miles northwest of the airfield. The remaining five F/A-18C's safely diverted to RAF Lossiemouth.

The incident is under investigation. The status of the pilot is still unknown. The cause of the crash is still unknown.

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