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Military Vehicle Collides With SUV in Washington, DC

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A military vehicle collided with a civilian car in Washington, D.C., on Wednesday morning, leaving one person with minor injuries. The crash occurred in the Capitol Hill neighborhood and drew an immediate response from local emergency services.

The D.C. Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department confirmed the accident, stating that one individual had to be extricated from the damaged vehicle and was later transported for medical care. Officials described the injuries as non-life-threatening.

Images shared online showed an armored M-ATV, a Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) tactical truck, alongside a heavily damaged silver SUV. The vehicle, weighing roughly 14 tons and designed with a V-shaped hull to withstand roadside bombs, is rarely seen outside of military operations.

The D.C. National Guard acknowledged that one of its vehicles was involved but did not immediately release further details. The fire department also declined to comment beyond its initial statement.

The incident comes as multiple states have pledged additional National Guard deployments to Washington. Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Ohio, South Carolina, and West Virginia recently announced plans to send more than 1,200 Guard members to the capital. Officials have said the reinforcements are intended to bolster public safety efforts.

While city data shows crime in Washington has declined over the past year, political pressure remains high to demonstrate a strong security presence. The use of heavy

armored vehicles such as the M-ATV in urban areas has sparked debate because of their association with combat operations overseas.

Authorities have not disclosed whether either driver will face charges. Investigations are ongoing to determine the cause of the crash. Officials emphasized that despite the dramatic damage, the outcome could have been far worse given the size and weight of the military vehicle.