**Israeli stabbed in terror attack near Ariel, two terrorists shot dead**

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A female soldier  in her twenties was stabbed on Thursday morning just as she walked off a bus that had stopped by the Ariel junction in the Samaria region of the West Bank.

Two young Palestinian assailants had run toward her from the direction of the nearby gas station with knives in their hands, according to a spokeswoman for the Samaria Regional Council.

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Soldiers guarding the bus stop by the city shot and killed the two Palestinian assailants.

A photograph in which one of the male assailants is lying on the sidewalk with a knife in his hand is already being circulated on Facebook.

MDA paramedics treated the wounded soldier at the scene and evacuated her to the Rabin Medical Center- Beilinson Campus in Petah Tikva in moderate to serious condition.

The city of Ariel, with a population of 18,400, is the third largest settlement in the West Bank.

Ariel’s Mayor Ariel Shaviro called on the government “to put an end to the absurd situation in which Israeli citizens are no longer safe.”