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ALGIERS (AP) - The Algerian state news agency says a roadside bomb has killed four people and wounded 19 east of the capital.

The bomb was triggered as a military convoy passed through the district of Boumerdes, 30 miles from Algiers. The agency says a bus carrying civilian passengers was traveling behind the convoy. There were conflicting reports as to whether the victims were military, civilian or both.

The area is known as a stronghold of the North African branch of the al-Qaida movement.

February 15, in the same district, a bomb targeting a police convoy exploded, but no one was killed.

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