

Isil claims responsibility for Hamburg knife attack that killed teenager

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Isil claimed responsibility for a “lone wolf” knife attack in Hamburg on October 16 which left a teenager dead, the Isil-affiliated news agency Amaq reported.

The jihadist group claimed the act of terrorism was in response to its calls to target civilians of coalition countries involved in Iraq and Syria airstrikes. “A soldier of the Islamic State stabbed two individuals in Hamburg city on the 16th of this month,” the release said, in response to “calls to target the citizens of coalition countries” that are fighting Isil in Iraq and Syria.

Hamburg police reported a knife attack on the banks of the Alster river on October 16. In the incident, an unknown male assailant attacked two teenagers sitting under a bridge on the banks of Hamburg’s Alster lake from behind, repeatedly stabbing a 16-year-old boy, who later died of his injuries, and pushing a 15-year-old girl into the water. She was rescued uninjured.

The claim carried by Amaq, which is commonly used by “Islamic State” (IS) for this purpose, asserted, however, that two people were knifed in the attack.

Police never found the attacker, described as aged 23-25 and of “southern” appearance. “The motive for the crime is unknown and the subject of further investigation,” the October 17 police statement said.

I don't know how widespread reports were of the original

attack but I missed them.