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## PMV-4 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A Specialist assigned to Landstuhl, Germany, died in a PMV-4 mishap 5 March 2021 in Kaiserslautern, Germany, at 2130 local. The Soldier was operating her vehicle with another Soldier riding as a passenger when she approached an intersection and failed to yield to oncoming traffic. With no signs of braking, her vehicle collided with another vehicle occupied by two other Soldiers, causing both vehicles to skid 75 feet before coming to rest. All four Soldiers were transported to separate hospitals. The driver of the first vehicle was pronounced dead upon arrival by the attending physician. Her passenger suffered non-fatal injuries and is currently in a medically induced coma. The two Soldiers in the second vehicle both suffered non-life-threatening injuries. The specific circumstances of the mishap, including speed, use of seat belts, and alcohol and drugs as contributing factors, are unknown at this time. The safety POC is waiting for the host country local authorities to release information.

Since 2016, the Army has lost an average of 34 Soldiers a year to PMV-4 mishaps. This mishap was the 16th PMV-4 fatality of FY21 and above the number of fatalities for the same time period last year.

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