**Ceuta soldiers survive lightning strike unhurt [African Coast of Spain]**

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SIX soldiers based in the Spanish-owned city-province of Ceuta on the northern Moroccan coast have been struck by lightning – and survived.

The Artillery Regiment’s vehicle, a RAMIX-30, was hit by a bolt of lightning that struck the sea, just a few feet where it was parked with the soldiers standing next to it.

Four of the military men were unscathed, although two reported a loss of feeling in their extremities and had to be taken to the Ceuta University Hospital. However, they were discharged a few hours later.

At least two of them say they felt the electric shock from the lightning, and one of them was thrown a distance of over six feet.

But none of them lost consciousness and they have lived to tell the tale – and to get back to work the following morning.

The Regiment says the lightning bolt from the sea was drawn to the vehicle by its radio system.