Islamic State claims responsibility for attack on Pakistani embassy in Kabul

<u>Dec 4 (Reuters)</u> – Islamic State claimed responsibility for an attack on Pakistan's embassy in the Afghan capital Kabul on Friday, via a statement carried by one of the militant group's affiliated channels on Telegram on Sunday.

The embassy came under attack on Friday and a Pakistani security guard was wounded by gunfire in what Islamabad called an attempt to assassinate its head of mission, who was unhurt.

Islamic State claimed the attack was carried out by two of its members armed with "medium and sniper weapons" and was targeting the ambassador and his guards who were present in the courtyard of the embassy.

Taliban authorities have said they are investigating the attack . . . Pakistan's foreign office said it had seen the reports of IS's claim of responsibility. "We must act resolutely with all our collective might to defeat this menace," the foreign office said.