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Burkina Faso attack: Leila Alaoui, Amnesty photographer, dies

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Photographer Leila Alaoui was on an assignment focusing on women's rights in Burkina Faso

French-Moroccan photographer Leila Alaoui has died from injuries sustained in the Burkina Faso hotel attack, taking the death toll to 30.

Ms Alaoui was taken to hospital but suffered a heart attack, human rights group Amnesty International said.

She was carrying out work "focusing on women's rights" for the group.

The **assault at a hotel** in the capital, Ouagadougou, was claimed by al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM).

In a statement. Amnesty said Ms Alaoui had been shot twice in the attack, in the leg and thorax, and was believed to have been in a stable condition following an operation in hospital.

Mahamadi Ouedraogo, a driver working for Amnesty, was also killed in Friday's attack.

Both were parked outside the Cappucino cafe, opposite the luxury Splendid Hotel, one of the militants' targets, the group said.

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