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The other F-16 landed safely, an Air Force spokeswoman said.

"Last night, at approximately 8.30 p.m., 2 F-16s collided in mid-air over the Atlantic ... Unfortunately, we don't have any news of one of the pilots," she told Reuters. The collision occurred about 40 miles off Folly Beach, near Charleston.

The Air Force and the Coast Guard named the missing pilot as Air Force Capt. Nicholas Giglio from the 20th Fighter Wing of Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina.

(Reporting by Pascal Fletcher)

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