



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: Solomon Islands, Warns of Ongoing Violence

Political Violence

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U.S. Embassy Port Moresby advises U.S. citizens traveling to, or residing in Solomon Islands to exercise a high degree of caution due to ongoing threats of political violence, civil unrest, and protests. The Solomon Islands Parliament will sit this Friday, November 11 and a Motion of No Confidence in the Prime Minister may be tabled. Political tensions can rise with little notice.

Pay close attention to your personal security at all times, and monitor the media for information about possible new safety or security risks. Avoid large crowds, public gatherings, and political rallies as these may turn violent.

The U.S. Consular Agency in Honiara, Solomon Islands is closed on Friday, November 11. In emergencies, please call the Consular Agent in Honiara at +677 749 4731.

We encourage U.S. citizens to maintain updated profiles in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) at www.travel.state.gov. Free STEP enrollment allows the U.S. Embassy to better assist you in emergencies such as natural disasters, unrest in foreign countries, or lost/stolen passports overseas. STEP can also help your family and friends reach you in an emergency.

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In addition to information on the internet, travelers may obtain up-to-date information on security conditions by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or, from other countries, on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, Eastern Time (except U.S. federal holidays).

The U.S. Embassy in Papua New Guinea is located on Douglas Street, adjacent to the Bank of Papua New Guinea, in Port Moresby. You can reach the Embassy by calling +675 321-1455 or by emailing ConsularPortMoresby@state.gov. The emergency after-hours emergency telephone number is +675 7200-9439.