



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: Taipei (Taiwan), Demonstration Notice (March 8, 2012)

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AIT has been notified by Taiwan Police Authorities that pig farmers have planned a mass demonstration beginning at 10:00 am on Thursday, March 8, 2012 at the Legislative Yuan (No. 1, Zhongshan South Rd., Zhongzheng District, Taipei). Protestors plan to march from there to the Council of Agriculture (37 Nanhai Rd., Taipei), where the demonstration is scheduled to conclude at 2:00 pm. Some demonstrators may travel to other downtown areas, including AIT.

Demonstrations take place in Taiwan from time to time in response to world or local events. We remind U.S. citizens that even peaceful demonstrations can become confrontational. U.S. citizens are urged to exercise caution within the vicinity of the demonstration and if possible, to avoid the area completely. U.S. citizens should stay current with media coverage of local events and be aware of their surroundings at all times.

U.S. citizens traveling abroad should regularly monitor the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs' website www.travel.state.gov, where the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information can be found. AIT also encourages U.S. citizens to review to "A Safe Trip Abroad," found at http://travel.state.gov/travel/tips/safety/safety_1747.html, which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad. 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 U.S. and Canada, or outside the U.S. and Canada on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444.

AIT encourages you, as a U.S. citizen living or traveling in Taiwan, to register through the State Department's travel registration website, <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/>. Registration is a voluntary way of telling us that you, as a U.S. citizen, are in Taiwan, whether for a long-term stay or for a short visit. In the event of an emergency, we use registration information to communicate with you. This could include a family emergency in which relatives in the United States request that AIT contact you.



The Consular Section of AIT's Taipei and Kaohsiung Offices can be reached during regular business hours (M-F, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) by telephone at (02) 2162-2000 and (07) 238-7744; by fax at (02) 2162-2239 and (07) 238-5237; and by e-mail at amcit-ait-t@state.gov. After hours, in case of emergency, a duty officer can be reached by calling the AIT switchboard at (02) 2162-2000. The AIT Taipei office is located at No.7, Lane 134, Sec. 3, XinYi Rd., Da-an District, Taipei City 10659. The address for AIT Kaohsiung is: 5th Floor, No.2, ChungCheng 3rd Rd., Xin-Xing District, Kaohsiung City 80052.