



## **Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: Antananarivo (Madagascar), Mutiny in Military Camp Prompts Airport Closure**

Political Violence

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The Embassy has received reports of soldiers taking over a military base near to the international airport in Antananarivo. Gunfire has been reported. Flights in and out of the airport have been suspended. American citizens in Madagascar are advised to avoid the area until the situation is resolved. Americans planning to travel Madagascar should check with their airlines before commencing travel to the country.

You can obtain Embassy updates by checking the website of the U.S. Embassy in Antananarivo. You can also get global updates at the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Consular Affairs website where you can find the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Warning, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information. Follow us on Twitter and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on Facebook as well, or you can download our free Smart Traveler iPhone App for travel information at your fingertips. If you don't have internet access, current information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada, or, for callers from other countries, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

All U.S. citizens in Madagascar are urged to register online at the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP). Registering gives U.S. citizens access to updated information on travel and security within Madagascar and makes it easier for the Embassy to contact citizens in case of emergency. Please note the following contact information:

U.S. citizens traveling to the country can contact the U.S. Embassy in Madagascar located at:

Lot 27 A Point Liberty

Andranoro-Antehiroka, Antananarivo, Madagascar

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Web site is <http://www.antenanarivo.usembassy.gov/>