



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: Abidjan (Cote d'Ivoire), Ivoirian Independence Celebrations Riots/Civil Unrest

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Given the upcoming Ivoirian Independence Day celebrations and events scheduled for today and tomorrow coupled with the widely-reported recent security incidents involving police and military installations, the Embassy encourages U.S. citizens to be extra cautious. U.S. citizens should closely follow the local media and avoid large gatherings and crowds. Please ensure that your contact and personal information is up-to-date by enrolling in the Smart Travelers Enrollment Program (STEP). Get Embassy updates by checking the Consular pages on the U.S. Embassy Abidjan website at <http://abidjan.usembassy.gov/travelregist.html>.

You can stay in touch and get updates by checking the U.S. Embassy in Abidjan's website. You can also get global updates at the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Consular Affairs Web site where you can find the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information for Cote d'Ivoire. Follow us on Twitter and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on Facebook as well, or download our free Smart Traveler iPhone App for travel information at your fingertips. If you don't have Internet access, you can obtain current information about safety and security by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States, or, for callers from other countries, a regular toll line 1-202-501-4444.

These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except federal holidays).

In emergencies and for urgent security matters, you can call the Embassy switchboard at 225-22-49-40-00; the emergency after-hours telephone is: +225-22-49-44-50.

The U.S. Embassy is located in the Riviera Golf neighborhood of the Cocody section of Abidjan, east of the downtown area. The Embassy's postal address is 01 B.P. 1712 Abidjan 01.