



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Lusaka (Zambia), Demonstrations

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On September 11, 2012, protestors attacked the U.S. Consulate in Benghazi, Libya, and breached the U.S. Embassy in Cairo, Egypt, in apparent response to the release of inflammatory material posted on the Internet by private individuals. The U.S. Embassy in Lusaka advises U.S. citizens to maintain a high level of vigilance and to take appropriate steps to increase their security awareness. The U.S. Embassy has not received any specific threats against U.S. citizens in Zambia but we advise U.S. citizens to pay close attention to the existing Department of State Worldwide Caution detailing information on the continuing threat of terrorist actions and violence against U.S. citizens and interests throughout the world.

We advise U.S. citizens to avoid demonstrations of any sort and to use caution when in the vicinity of large gatherings. We remind you that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence.

You can stay in touch and get updates by checking the U.S. Embassy in Zambia website. 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 Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information for Zambia. 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).



The Embassy cannot prevent you from traveling to locations despite a Travel Warning. For your personal safety and security and the peace of mind of your family and friends, it is useful for you to notify us in advance of your travel plans via the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP).

The U.S. Embassy in Lusaka is located on Ibex Hill Road, Lusaka. The Consular Section can be contacted at 0211-357-000, or via email at ACSLusaka@state.gov. For assistance after hours or in an emergency, you can contact us at 0211-357-000 or 0966-877-805.