



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: Amman (Jordan), Planned Weekend Demonstrations at U.S. Embassy Riots/Civil Unrest

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U.S. Embassy Amman has learned that various groups have called for demonstrations in front of or near the U.S. Embassy this evening and tomorrow.

Today at 1700 hours or later: Some groups on Facebook are calling for a protest in front of the Embassy. Police have not confirmed the event, but there will be additional security deployed at the Embassy.

Friday, September 14 following noon prayers: Online media outlets are reporting and the police have confirmed that one group plans to demonstrate in front of Al-Kurdi Mosque (near Abdoun Mall), approximately one-half a mile from the Embassy.

Friday, September 14 at 1800 hours: Another group plans to hold a sit in outside of the Embassy under the slogan "Be With Us." The police have confirmed this event.

U.S. citizens should avoid areas where demonstrations are ongoing. Spontaneous and/or planned demonstrations occur in Jordan from time to time in response to world events or local developments. We remind U.S. citizens that protests intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence. As always, please be aware of your surroundings and monitor local media.

The Embassy advises U.S. citizens to maintain valid travel documents and enroll with the Department of State through the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program. By enrolling, U.S. citizens make it easier for the Embassy to contact them in case of emergency.

The U.S. Embassy in Amman is located on Al-Umawiyyeen Street, Abdoun, P.O. Box 354. The telephone number is [962] (6) 590-6000, and the fax number is [962] (6) 592-4102. The after-hours emergency telephone number is [962] (6) 590-6500.

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Safe Trip Abroad,” which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad.

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