



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: Niamey (Niger) Church Protests

Riots/Civil Unrest

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This emergency message is to inform U.S. citizens about reports of protests in Zinder that seem to be targeting churches, missionary buildings, and Christian symbols. It is possible these protests will extend to other parts of Niger.

The Embassy takes this opportunity to once again remind U.S. citizens to maintain a high level of vigilance, take appropriate steps to increase their security awareness, and avoid areas of protest activity.

You can get Embassy updates by checking the website of the U.S. Embassy in Niamey (<http://niamey.usembassy.gov>). You can also get global updates at the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Consular Affairs website (<http://travel.state.gov>) where you can find the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information. If you do not have Internet access, please contact the call center for updates: 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or, from other countries, on 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 federal holidays).

If you are going to live in or travel to Niger, please take the time to tell us about your trip by enrolling in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP - <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/>). If you enroll, we can keep you up to date with important safety and security announcements. It will also help your friends and family get in touch with you in an emergency. You should remember to keep all of your information in STEP up to date. It is important during enrollment or updating of information to include your current phone number and current email address where you can be reached in case of an emergency.

The U.S. Embassy in Niamey (<http://niamey.usembassy.gov/>) is located on Rue des Ambassades, tel. (227) 20-72-26-61. The Embassy fax numbers are (227) 20-73-31-67 and (227) 20-72-31-46.

The after-hours emergency number is tel. (227) 20-72-31-41. Be ready to first state your name, phone number and the reason you are calling.