



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: N'Djamena (Chad), Avoid Area Around the German Embassy

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There is an ongoing police operation in the vicinity of the German Embassy and Imprimerie du Tchad (IDT) on Avenue Felix Eboue. Earlier today, Chadian authorities reported a gun battle between Chadian police and smugglers in the alley between the German Embassy and the IDT, which resulted in at least four casualties. The gun battle apparently commenced when smugglers attempted to enter Chad after crossing the river from Cameroon. Chadian police have increased their presence in this area and are conducting an active investigation. Neither U.S. citizens nor U.S. interests appear to be targeted, but any U.S. citizens should consider carefully delaying any planned travel to this area while the police operation to apprehend the smugglers continues.

You can stay in touch and get Embassy updates by checking the U.S. Embassy N'Djamena website. Please check for regular updates on the U.S. Embassy N'Djamena 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. 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, we have a call center for updates, which can be reached toll-free at 1-888-407-4747 in the U.S. and Canada, or outside the U.S. and Canada 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 Chad, please take the time to tell us about your trip by enrolling in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP). 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. Even if you have already enrolled, 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 is located in N'Djamena on Avenue Felix Eboue; mailing address B.P. 413, N'Djamena, Chad. The Embassy telephone number is (235) 22-51-70-09. The Embassy



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For after-hours emergencies, U.S. citizens should call (235) 66-62-21-00 or (235) 2251-70-09 and ask to speak with the duty officer.