



Message for U.S. Citizens: Maputo (Mozambique), Expected Increases in Transportation Fares

Transportation Security

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Collective taxi transport (“chapa”) fares increases will go into effect on November 15th. U.S. citizens should be alert to possible public reactions to these changes and ensuing traffic disruptions. The U.S. Embassy has no verifiable information regarding the public’s reaction to these fare increases; however, in 2010, chapa fare increases contributed to public demonstrations. If demonstrations do materialize, some chapas may suspend or alter their routes. Additionally, disruptions to cell phone service could occur.

The Consular Section will send out an updated emergency message if we receive specific information on potential security threats.

U.S. citizens are reminded to maintain a high level of security awareness. Marches, protests, and demonstrations can be unpredictable in time, place, and intensity and even events intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence. U.S. citizens should, therefore, avoid any potential areas of demonstrations. As the Department of State continues to develop information on any potential security threats to U.S. citizens overseas, it shares credible threat information through its consular information program documents, available on the Internet at <http://travel.state.gov>. In addition to information on the Internet, travelers may obtain up-to-date information on security conditions by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the U.S. or outside the U.S. and Canada on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. The U.S. Mission urges all U.S. citizens in Mozambique to register either online at <https://travelregistration.state.gov> or by phone or in person directly with the Embassy in Maputo. Registering gives U.S. citizens access to updated information on travel

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and security within Mozambique and makes it easier for the Embassy to contact citizens in case of emergency. Please note the following contact information: The U.S. Embassy is located in Maputo at 193 Avenida Kenneth Kaunda, telephone (258) 21 49 2797. Non-emergency American Citizens Services are offered via the online appointment system. The after-hours telephone numbers for use in emergencies are (258) 21 49 0723 and 21 49 2797. The Consular Section's e-mail address is consularmaputo@state.gov. The Embassy's web site is <http://maputo.usembassy.gov/>.

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