



Emergency Messages for U.S. Citizens: Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia), Two Possible Protests Near U.S. Embassy

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The U.S. Embassy in Kuala Lumpur has been informed of two possible protests in the vicinity of the Embassy this week.

One protest may occur in front of the Embassy during the morning of Thursday, November 22. The Embassy will be closed that day as it is a U.S. holiday. A second protest may occur in the afternoon of Friday, November 23. Protesters are expected to gather in front of the Tabung Haji Mosque and may proceed by foot to a location within the vicinity of the Embassy on Jalan Tun Razak. During such protests, vehicular and foot traffic in the area around the U.S. Embassy may be disrupted. U.S. citizens are advised to avoid the area noted above during those times.

In the event of an emergency, U.S. citizens may call (03) 2168-5000 at any time.

The U.S. Embassy is not aware of specific threats to U.S. citizens in Malaysia at this time. As a general precaution, the U.S. Embassy advises you to exercise caution and to be aware of your surroundings, particularly around large crowds or gatherings. Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence with little or no warning. You should avoid areas that may be targeted for demonstrations and exercise caution if within the vicinity of any demonstrations or large gatherings. You should monitor local media to keep updated with the latest information about demonstrations and areas to avoid.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the U.S. Embassy at (03) 2168-5000 or visit the U.S. Citizens Service website at <http://malaysia.usembassy.gov/>. We will post the most updated information on the website.

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We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in Malaysia enroll in the Department of State's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) at <http://www.travel.state.gov/>. STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the embassy or nearest consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have Internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the Department's website, where you can find current Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the Country Specific Information for Malaysia. For additional information, refer to "A Safe Trip Abroad."

Contact the embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on Twitter and Facebook, and download our free Smart Traveler iPhone App to have travel information at your fingertips.

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