



## Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Yekaterinburg (Russia), Weekend Demonstration

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U.S. citizens should be aware that Russian government authorities have granted permits for two separate demonstrations in Yekaterinburg on January 23 and 24, 2016.

Organizers from the National Liberation Movement (NOD) in Yekaterinburg claim that they will protest against an alleged "fifth column." Additional police presence is expected in and around the approved protest locations.

- On Saturday, January 23 (12pm - 2pm), NOD will conduct a car procession that will start on Permayskaya Street and proceed along Gagarina, Malysheva, Moskovskaya Streets and Lenina Avenue. Organizers have requested permission to drive the proposed route for three rotations. Approximately 20 vehicles are expected to participate.

- On Sunday, January 24 (12pm – 3pm), NOD will hold a static protest "For the Historic Dignity" at the Plotinka (the site of the dam on the Iset River in the city center). The demonstrations will be organized by the Sut Vremeni movement, demanding the return of the red banner symbols to the Plotinka. Approximately 1000 participants are expected.

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Due to the possibility of violence, the U.S. Consulate strongly advises all U.S. citizens to avoid these areas entirely. Similar spontaneous demonstrations may appear anywhere throughout the city, at any time of day.

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