



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: South Africa, Demonstrations at Universities in South Africa

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The U.S. Diplomatic Mission to South Africa reminds U.S. citizens that demonstrations have occurred on campus and in the vicinity of several universities in South Africa in recent days. Some of the demonstrations have involved incidents of violence. Further demonstrations can be expected to arise with little or no advance notice.

U.S. citizens are reminded that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and escalate into violence. You should avoid areas of demonstrations, and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any large gatherings or protests. Monitor local media sources for the latest information on demonstrations.

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