



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Brazzaville (Republic of the Congo), Reports of Continuing Violence in Brazzaville and Pointe Noire

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Heavy gunfire was reported south of Brazzaville this morning, and the situation remains fluid. Similar accounts of violence have been reported in Pointe Noire. The U.S. Embassy in Brazzaville recommends U.S. citizens shelter in place until the situation stabilizes.

The U.S. Embassy in Brazzaville will have limited operations and reduced staffing on Tuesday, April 5. Routine consular services scheduled for April 5 are cancelled. U.S. citizens in need of **emergency** consular assistance should call +(242) 06-612-2010.

Review your personal security plans, remain aware of your surroundings, including local events, and monitor local news stations for updates. Be vigilant and take appropriate steps to enhance your personal security.

For further information:

- See the State Department's travel website for the Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Brazzaville Country Specific Information.
- Enroll in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (**STEP**) to receive security messages and make it easier to locate you in an emergency.
- Contact the U.S. Embassy in Brazzaville, located at Boulevard Denis Sassou Nguesso, Brazzaville, Republic of the Congo, at +(242) 06-612-2000, 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on Friday. **After-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is +(242) 06-612-2010.**
- Call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).
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