



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Maputo (Mozambique), Protests May 21-22

Riots/Civil Unrest

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The U.S. Embassy informs U.S. citizens of a planned protest march scheduled to occur this Saturday and Sunday, May 21 and 22. The march is expected to begin at the confluence of Avenida Tanzania, Avenida Angola, and Avenida Eduardo Mondlane in the circle at the statue of former president Eduardo Mondlane. The march will continue southeast down Avenida Eduardo Mondlane, turning right to continue southwest down Avenida Guerra Popular. The marchers then plan to turn left onto Avenida 25 de Setembro, walk three blocks, and turn left again onto Avenida Samora Machel. The destination is the circle in front of the statue of former president Samora Machel.

Please consult a city map to confirm the exact locations. U.S. citizens are encouraged to avoid these areas during the weekend if possible.

Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and escalate into violence. Avoid areas where demonstrations are taking place and exercise caution when in the vicinity of any large gatherings, protests, or demonstrations.

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 Country Specific Information for Mozambique.

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Contact the U.S. Embassy in Maputo in Maputo, located at 193, Avenida Kenneth Kaunda, and is open Monday through Thursday 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. You may also call 21-49-2797 during normal business hours, 84-306-6480 during after-hours.

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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