



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Prague (Czech Republic), Soccer Match July 26

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The U.S. Embassy informs U.S. citizens that a soccer match between Sparta Praha and Steaua Bukurest will take place Tuesday, July 26, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. at Generali Arena, Milady Horakove, Prague 7. The event is expected to draw approximately 20,000 fans. Czech police anticipate an increased potential for violence during this match and are planning accordingly. There will be a significant police presence in the vicinity of the stadium and traffic delays are likely to occur.

U.S. citizens should avoid this area while the match is being played. They should also be alert for confrontations between rival groups of fans and rowdy pre- and post-match celebrations.

Even events intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and escalate into violence. You should avoid areas of unruly gatherings, and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any such events.

For further information about security in the Czech Republic:

- See the State Department's travel website for the Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and *Czech Republic 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 Prague located at Trziste 15 at +420 257 022 000 from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m. to noon on Friday. After-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is +420 257 022 000.
- 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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