



## Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Yerevan (Armenia), Daily Demonstrations Planned Yerevan

Riots/Civil Unrest

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The U.S. Embassy in Yerevan informs U.S. citizens that various social media outlets are calling for **daily** protests for the foreseeable future in Yerevan at or around Freedom Square and in the Erebuni District beginning in the evenings. These protests are in response to the armed attack on the Armenian Police Yerevan City Patrol Regiment Building and subsequent release of hostages. Armenian security personnel continue to be in a standoff with armed individuals in Erebuni District, Yerevan.

Additional protests should be expected for the foreseeable future in the following locations in Yerevan: **Freedom Square, Republic Square, Mashtots Ave, Amiryan Street, Northern Ave, and Khorenatsi Street**. Expect a heavy police presence throughout the country in response to any protests. Roads and any surrounding areas will likely be congested. Recent protests have seen more than 3,000 people.

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, protests, or demonstrations.

For further information:

See the State Department's travel website for the Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Armenia Country Specific Information.

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Contact the U.S. Embassy in Yerevan, located at 1 American Avenue, tel. 10-46-47-00 and fax 10-46-47-42. The Consular Section is open from 9:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m., with time reserved for U. S. citizen services from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday,

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