



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Sofia (Bulgaria), Protest at Sofia Courthouse

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U.S. Embassy Sofia informs U.S. citizens of a planned protest of motorcyclists in front of the Sofia Courthouse on Tuesday, August 9 at 1900 hrs. The protesters seek justice following the death of two Bulgarian motorcyclists killed in a vehicular accident on July 24th. Further reports indicate this protest will also be carried out in other major Bulgarian cities in front of their respective courthouses Wednesday, August 10 at 1900 hrs.

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:

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Contact the U.S. Embassy in Bulgaria, located at 16, Kozyak St., Sofia 1408, at (+359 2) 937-5100. If you are a U.S. citizen in need of urgent assistance call (+359 2) 937-5101.

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