



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Maputo (Mozambique), Public Demonstration in Maputo on August 27

Riots/Civil Unrest

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The U.S. Embassy informs U.S. citizens that the non-governmental organization (NGO) Painel de Monitoria do Dialogo para Paz has announced via social media and news reports that they are calling for peaceful demonstrations in Maputo on Saturday, August 27. A march is scheduled to begin at 7:00 am starting from the plaza at the intersections of Avenida Eduardo Mondlane and Avenida da Zambia in front of the statue of former president Eduardo Mondlane. The march will continue down Avenida Eduardo Mondlane turning right at Avenida Karl Marx and arriving at the Praca da Independencia in front of the statue of former president Samora Machel.

Although the organizers have called for a peaceful march, and there is no current indication there will be any violence, 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 Mozambique 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 Maputo, located at 193, Avenida Kenneth Kaunda, at (+258) 21-49-2797, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Friday. After-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is (+258) 84-306-6480.
- 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

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