



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Tirana (Albania), Demonstration Against Importation of Non-Hazardous Waste

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The U.S. Embassy in Tirana informs U.S. citizens that the Albanian Opposition Party is organizing a demonstration against the import of non-hazardous waste in Albania, scheduled to begin on Saturday, October 1, at 11:00 am. The protesters are expected to gather close to the Taiwan Centre, alongside the Deshmoret e Kombit Boulevard, and walk toward the Prime Ministry Building. A large crowd of protestors is anticipated along with heavy traffic, closed streets, and a police presence.

The Embassy is not aware of any specific threats against U.S. citizens or interests. However, U.S. citizens should remain vigilant and avoid any demonstrations or gatherings. Citizens should monitor local media and factor updated information into personal travel plans and activities.

All U.S. visitors or residents in Albania should be aware of their local security situation and review our Europe Travel Alert.

Specific safety concerns should be addressed to Albanian law enforcement authorities who are responsible for the safety of all visitors to Albania.

For further information:

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

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