



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Lisbon (Portugal), Taxi Protest on October 10

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U.S. Embassy Lisbon informs U.S. Citizens in Portugal that a taxi protest is scheduled to take place in Lisbon on Monday, October 10 beginning at 8:30. Six thousand taxi drivers are expected to conduct a slow march from Parque das Nações to São Bento. We anticipate fewer available taxis and congested traffic. Please allow for additional time to get to your destination and consider using the metro. Below are news sources announcing the protest:

<https://www.publico.pt/sociedade/noticia/taxistas-acusam-psp-de-querer-partir-manifestacao-a-os-bocados-1746518>

http://diariodigital.sapo.pt/news.asp?id_news=845122

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 additional information, please refer to our website *A Safe Trip Abroad*.

For further information:

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

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Contact the U.S. Embassy in Portugal, located at Avenida das Forças Armadas, in the neighborhood of Sete Rios near the Jardim Zoológico, at + (351) 217 702-122, 08:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

After-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is +(351) 21-727-3300 or (351) 21-094-2300.

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