



## Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Bamako (Mali), Continued Risk of Terrorism and Violent Crime

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The U.S. Embassy reminds U.S. citizens of the continued threat of terrorist activity and violent crime in Bamako and across the country. The month of November marks the anniversary of the Radisson Blu attack in Bamako on November 20.

Recent criminal attacks include the October 24 robbery of and shooting at the Sanankoroba toll station on the road to Sikasso that left three people dead, the October 27 robbery and shooting outside EcoBank in the Quartier du Fleuve section of Bamako, and the October 28 attack and robbery of a shopkeeper with a knife.

Due to these recent attacks, Malian security officials have increased the security presence in the city and begun conducting identity checks, vehicle stops, and checkpoints on Bamako's three bridges beginning at 22:00 each evening.

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:

Please check the U.S. Embassy website and the State Department's travel website for the Worldwide Caution and the Travel Warning for Mali issued on July 13, 2016.

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 Bamako, located at t ACI 2000, Rue 243 Porte 297, at +223 20 70 23 00 at 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from Monday - Thursday; 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on

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Friday. The after-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is +223 66 75 95 79 or +223 66 75 28 60.

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