



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Dhaka (Bangladesh), Security Incident at Dhaka Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport

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On Nov 6 at approximately 7:10pm, there was a security incident at the Dhaka Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport. An individual clothed similar in appearance to airport cleaning staff attempted to gain entry to the airport through the international departures (second level) access point. Members of the airport security staff challenged the individual and were involved in an altercation that resulted in the stabbing of several members of security. The individual was immediately detained and the incident is currently undergoing investigation.

Dhaka Armed Police Battalion has confirmed that they have increased the police presence at Dhaka Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport.

The U.S. Embassy is working closely with Dhaka Hazrat Shahjalal International Airport on security of travelers. Please 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 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.
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