



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Lisbon (Portugal), Explosives Used in Recent ATM Robberies

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U.S. Embassy Lisbon informs U.S. citizens that since October 5, 2016 we have received reports that an unknown group of still at large criminals have robbed four ATMs using explosives: two in Lisbon, one in Cascais, and one in Alfragide. All of the attacks have occurred between 1:00 - 5:00 a.m., and none of the attacks resulted in injuries.

Embassy Lisbon reminds U.S. citizens to avoid using ATMs in isolated or poorly-lighted areas, use ATMs when accompanied by a companion, and use indoor, bank-affiliated ATMs whenever possible. U.S. citizens also should review their personal security plans, remain aware of their surroundings, monitor local news for updates, maintain a high level of vigilance, and take appropriate steps to enhance their personal security. For additional information, please refer to **A Safe Trip abroad**.

For further information about security in Portugal:

- See the **State Department's travel website** for the **Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts**, and Portugal's 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 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.
- 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 (except U.S. federal holidays).
- Follow us on **Twitter** and **Facebook**.

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