



Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Rabat (Morocco), Demonstration in Rabat on November 20

Riots/Civil Unrest

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U.S. Mission Morocco has learned through Social Media that a demonstration is planned in Rabat at Bab El Had (the main entrance to the Medina) at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 20. This protest is not directed at the U.S. government or individual U.S. citizens. The demonstration is reportedly to protest perceived injustice by the government and the incident which occurred in Al Hoceima in the northern part of Morocco, in which a fish vendor was killed during an interaction with local police. While the Al Hoceima incident has sparked widespread public outcry, the ensuing protests over the last few weeks have been peaceful. Be aware of your surroundings, exercise caution, and report any suspicious activity immediately to the Moroccan police.

For further information:

- See the State Department's travel website for the Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Morocco'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 Rabat located at KM5.7, Avenue Mohammed VI, Souissi, Rabat at 0537-63-72-00. Consular Services are located at the U.S. Consulate General in Casablanca at 8 Blvd. Moulay Youssef. American Citizens Services can be reached at 0522-26-71-51 during business hours. After-hours emergency numbers for U.S. citizens are 0522-26-45-50 or 0661-13-19-39.
- 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).

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