



## Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Tirana (Albania), Planned Demonstrations on December 8

Riots/Civil Unrest

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U.S. Embassy Tirana informs U.S. citizens to expect a series of protests against the Albanian Government, planned for December 8, 2016, beginning at 11:00am throughout the city of Tirana at various locations, including: the Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Municipality of Tirana, Ministry of Interior, Azem Hajdari Memorial, Prime Minister's Building, and at Demokracia Square (at the Student City). The Embassy is not aware of any specific threats against U.S. citizens or interests.

U.S. citizens should avoid areas of demonstrations, and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any large gatherings, protests, or demonstrations. Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and escalate into violence.

For further information:

- See the State Department's travel website for the Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Albania'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.

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