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U.S. Embassy Athens, Greece

February 22, 2008

The United States Embassy wishes to alert American citizens in Greece of demonstrations linked to Kosovo independence which have been scheduled for Athens on Saturday February 23, 2008.

One demonstration is expected to involve a protest march from Athens University (Propylea area) passing the European Union in Kolonaki to the United States Embassy; other protests are expected in Korai Square and between Thissio and Victoria Square.

We wish to remind American citizens that even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational and possibly escalate into violence. In the past, some demonstrations in Athens have included violence and destruction of property. Americans are therefore urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations, and to exercise caution if within their vicinity. Traffic and public transportation may likely to be adversely affected.

American citizens in Greece should monitor the local news, and for the latest security information, Americans living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs Internet web site at http://www.travel.state.gov, where the current Worldwide Cautions, Travel Alerts, and Travel Warnings can be found. American citizens may also obtain up-to-date information on security conditions overseas by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States or Canada, and 1-202-501-4444 from overseas. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

US citizens living or traveling abroad are encouraged to register with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate through the State Department's travel web site at https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/ so that they can obtain updated information on travel and security. Americans without Internet access may register directly with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate. By registering, Americans make it easier for the Embassy or Consulate to contact them in case of emergency.

For up-to-date information on current security conditions, Americans may also contact the U.S. Embassy in Athens or Consulate General in Thessaloniki at the numbers below. Please pass this information on to other Americans.

U.S. Embassy Athens American Citizen Services Section

Tel: (30)(210) 721-2951

American Consulate General Thessaloniki Tel: (30)(2310) 242-905

In case of an emergency when the Embassy or Consulate General is closed, an American in Greece can call (210) 729-4444, and ask to speak to a consular officer.