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Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Security Incident Near U.S. Consulate in Istanbul

August 10, 2015

There has been a security incident near the U.S. Consulate in Istanbul, Turkey. We urge individuals to please avoid that area for the time being. The U.S. Consulate is closed to the public today, August 10, 2015. Please monitor the news for further developments and maintain security awareness.

U.S. citizens are reminded to exercise caution in the vicinity of large gatherings, as even peaceful gatherings can turn confrontational. Review your personal security plans, remain aware of your surroundings, including local events, and monitor local news stations for updates. Maintain a high level of vigilance, take appropriate steps to enhance your personal security, and follow instructions of local authorities.

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens and nationals traveling to or residing in Turkey enroll in the State Department's [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#). You can download our free [Smart Traveler iPhone App](#) to have travel information at your fingertips. U.S. citizens and nationals without Internet access may enroll directly with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate. Enrolling ensures you receive updated safety and security information about areas abroad and makes it easier for the U.S. Embassy or Consulate to contact you or your designated contact in case of emergency.

Please check the [Country Specific Information Sheet](#) for Turkey for further security guidance. For additional information, refer to the "[Traveler's Checklist](#)" on the State Department's website. Current information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling +1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or a regular toll line at +1-202-501-4444 for callers from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

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Contact information for the U.S. Embassy and Consulates in Turkey:

The [U.S. Embassy in Ankara](#) is located at 110 Ataturk Boulevard, Kavaklıdere, 06100 Ankara, tel: (90)(312) 455-5555, fax (90)(312) 468-6131.

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The [U.S. Consulate General in Istanbul](#) is located at İstinye Mahallesi, Üç Şehitler Sokak No.2, İstinye 34460, İstanbul, tel: (90)(212) 335-9000, fax (90)(212) 335-9102.

The [U.S. Consulate in Adana](#) is located at 212 Girne Boulevard, Guzelevler Mahallesi, Yüregir, Adana, tel: (90)(322) 346-6262, fax (90)(322) 346-7916.

The [Consular Agency in Izmir](#) can be reached at Izmir@state.gov.

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