

## EMERGENCY MESSAGE FOR U.S. CITIZENS

Update on Security in Peten Region of Northern Guatemala (July 7, 2011)  
Information for Travelers and Residents  
Embassy of the United States of America  
Belmopan, Belize

The U.S. Embassy in Belmopan, Belize, continues to recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to and residing in Belize exercise the appropriate level of caution in traveling to the Peten region of northern Guatemala, including the tourist destination Tikal, Guatemala. The U.S. Embassy in Guatemala now permits its personnel to travel from Guatemala City to the Peten, in addition to allowing travel from Tikal to Belize, but advises travelers to exercise extreme caution. Travel by U.S. Embassy Belize official personnel to the Peten region of Guatemala remains restricted but approvable on a case by case basis. Given the continuing restriction, the U.S. Embassy in Belize recommends caution for U.S. citizens traveling to that region.

Travel information is also available at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov). Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or, for callers outside the United States and Canada, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444.

For the latest security information, Americans living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department Bureau of Consular Affairs Internet web site at <http://travel.state.gov>, where the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Alerts, Travel Warnings, and health information resources can be found. Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll free in the U.S. and Canada or, for inquirers in other areas, by calling a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00am to 8:00pm Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on Twitter and the Bureau of Consular Affairs' page on Facebook as well.

Americans living in or traveling to Belize are encouraged to register with the U.S. Embassy through the State Department Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (SMART) at

<https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/ui/>.

The U.S. Embassy is located at #4 Floral Park Road, Belmopan City, Belize; Tel: 501-822-4011 8:00am to 5:00pm—or for emergencies after hours, weekends, and holidays at 501-610-5030, Fax: 501-822-4050; E-mail: [ACSBelize@state.gov](mailto:ACSBelize@state.gov); Website:

<https://Belize.usembassy.state.gov>.