

Significant Demonstrations in Lima and Several Provinces

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The Federation of Civilian Construction Workers of Peru (TFCCP) will initiate a 24 hour nation-wide strike on July 13, calling for improving the working conditions and pay of members and construction workers of the federation.

The various subdivisions of the TFCCP within Lima plan to meet at 8:30 a.m. at their respective districts and march to Plaza 2 de Mayo arriving by 2:00 p.m. After assembling at the Plaza 2 de Mayo they will march to the Peruvian Congress. The Congress is located northeast of Plaza 2 de Mayo, on the second block on Jr. Ayacucho in front of Plaza Bolívar in central Lima.

As part of the call for the nation-wide strike, demonstrations and marches by provincial leaders are also expected in Cajamarca, Apurimac, Amazonas, Arequipa, Ica, Tacna, and Cusco. In the provinces, it is likely the protests will take place near government buildings. Such demonstrations may affect major highways and can also cause serious disruptions to air and rail transportation, including popular tourist destinations such as Machu Picchu. American citizens traveling in these areas should be flexible in their travel plans and be prepared for travel delays.

Demonstrations in Peru are often, but not always, peaceful, but can quickly escalate into violent confrontations. American citizens are advised to avoid large crowds and demonstrations and strongly encouraged to maintain a high level of vigilance, maintain awareness of local events and their surroundings, and take the appropriate steps to bolster their personal security. It is illegal in Peru for foreigners to participate in demonstrations. If you take part in one, you may be arrested.

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