

## United States Embassy Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago

### Security Message for U.S. Citizens:

#### *Home Invasion/Physical Assault/Personal Safety Information*

Date: October 19, 2012

This is a security message for U.S. citizens traveling in or visiting Trinidad and Tobago to inform you that there have been two confirmed incidents of physical assaults and home invasions in the Westmoorings/Diego Martin/Glencoe area.

The first incident occurred on Tuesday October 16, 2012 at approximately 8:35 pm. An armed man entered the home through an opened window, assaulted the victims, and proceeded to ransack the home. The local police are aware of the situation and are conducting an investigation.

The second incident occurred on Wednesday October 17, 2012. The home invader entered the residence through a skyline window. He then assaulted the resident. Please review your personal security plans; remain aware of your surroundings, including local events; and monitor local media outlets for updates. Maintain a high level of vigilance and take appropriate steps to enhance your personal security.

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in Trinidad and Tobago enroll in the [Department of State's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](http://www.travel.state.gov) at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) or [www.trinidad.usembassy.gov](http://www.trinidad.usembassy.gov). STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy or nearest U.S. consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the State [Department's Web site](http://www.state.gov), where you can find current Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the Country Specific Information for Trinidad and Tobago. For additional information, refer to "A Safe Trip Abroad" on the State Department's Web site.

Contact the U.S. embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1 888 407 4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1 202 501 4444 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). Follow us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/USEmbassyTT) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/USEmbassyTT), and download our free [Smart Traveler iPhone App](https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/smart-traveler-iphone-app/id544444444) to have travel information at your fingertips.

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