



*Consulate General of the United States of America  
Jeddah, Saudi Arabia*

***The Consulate General requests that wardens pass the following message in its entirety to members of the U.S. Citizen Community:***

January 29, 2011

**Subject: Possible Demonstrations in Jeddah January 29, 2011**

The U.S. Consulate General has received information that demonstrations are being called for in Jeddah today. Exact locations of these possible demonstrations are not yet known. The Consulate urges all U.S. citizens to review their personal plans and remain alert to their surroundings at all times. U.S. citizens should avoid areas of planned demonstrations or large gatherings and be aware that spontaneous demonstrations can occur anywhere on short notice. If caught unexpectedly near a demonstration, U.S. citizens should obey instructions from police and leave the area as quickly as possible.

Please be advised that as of this morning some areas of Jeddah are without electricity due to recent flooding. Cell phones are unreliable at this time as both STC and Mobily are experiencing communication network problems, also due to recent flooding. U.S. citizens should remain aware of the latest news concerning events within the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and neighboring countries, and should contact local authorities for assistance by dialing "999", or through any means available, if experiencing an emergency.

U.S. citizens traveling abroad should regularly monitor the [U.S. Consulate's website](#) and the [U.S. Department of State's, Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#), where the current Worldwide Caution, Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and Country Specific Information can be found. The U.S. Embassy also encourages U.S. citizens to review "[A Safe Trip Abroad](#)," which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad. In addition to information on the Internet, travelers may obtain up-to-date information on security conditions by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada, or outside the United States and Canada on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444.

U.S. citizens are advised to maintain valid travel documents and sign up with the Department of State or the U.S. Consulate General Jeddah through the State Department Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) website, [https://www.travel.state.gov/travel/tips/registration/registration\\_4789.html](https://www.travel.state.gov/travel/tips/registration/registration_4789.html).