

U.S. Embassy Dakar, Senegal

Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Crime on the Corniche

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Owing to recent incidents of criminality directed towards pedestrians (walkers and runners) along the Corniche, the U.S. Embassy has designated the Corniche off-limits for pedestrian use by Embassy personnel during the hours of darkness. The specific area affected is from the Mamelle roundabout (near the Mamelle Pharmacy) to Plateau. In addition, the Embassy's Regional Security Office recommends that when walking or jogging along the Corniche during daylight hours, pedestrians avoid the beach side of the street, travel in groups, and not carry high value items such as MP3 players that might attract unnecessary attention.

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If you are going to live in or travel to Senegal or Guinea-Bissau, please take the time to tell us about your trip by enrolling in the **Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP)**. If you enroll, we can keep you up to date with important safety and security announcements. It will also help your friends and family get in touch with you in an emergency. You should remember to keep all of your information in STEP up to date. It is important during enrollment or updating of information to include your current phone number and current email address where you can be reached in case of an emergency.

The U.S. Embassy in Dakar is located on Route des Almadies, Dakar, and is open Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. If you have questions or concerns about safety or related issues, you are encouraged to contact the consular section at the Embassy by sending an email message to DakarACS@state.gov. For after hours emergencies, please call Tel: +221-33-879-4444 and ask to speak to the duty officer.