



**Embassy of the United States of America
Madrid, Spain**

**Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Demonstrations
February 12, 2015**

DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED FOR FEBRUARY 13 - 20, 2015.

Planned and spontaneous demonstrations take place in Spain, especially in Madrid and Barcelona, in response to economic or other events. If you encounter a large public gathering or demonstration, the U.S. Embassy suggests that you avoid the area. Even demonstrations intended to be peaceful can turn confrontational. U.S. citizens are therefore urged to avoid the areas of demonstrations if possible, and to exercise caution if within the vicinity of any demonstrations.

The Government Delegation in Madrid has authorized the following demonstrations.

DATE	DURATION	ORGANIZERS	PURPOSE OF PROTEST OR DEMONSTRATION	LOCATION
02/13/15	11:00 – 14:00	Asociación Afectados Hepatitis C	To support those affected by Hepatitis C	12 de Octubre Hospital, Paseo Delicias, Atocha, Cibeles, Plaza de la Villa
02/14/15	12:00 – 16:00	SOS Racismo	Against the reform of the Penal code. (Gag Rule)	Plaza España, Gran Via, Callao, Preciados, Puerta del Sol
02/14/15	18:00 – 20:00	Alba Mendez Cabrera	Against the gender murders in 2014	Paseo Prado, Plaza de las Cortes, Carrera San Jerónimo, Puerta del Sol
02/15/15	12:00 – 15:00	Fed Reg Asoc Vecinales de Madrid	For a quality public health system	Plaza M. Reina Sofía, Doctor Mata, Atocha, Paseo Prado 18-20 (Health Ministry)
02/15/15	13:00 – 15:00	Cristina Lucia Caro	Against the abortion law reform	Puerta del Sol, Preciados, Callao, Gran Vía, San Bernardo (Ministry of Justice)
02/18/15	17:00 – 21:00	Sind UGT – CCOO	To support the right to strike	Plaza de Neptuno, Puerta del Sol,

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02/19/15	19:00 – 20:00	Plat víctimas contra la impunidad Franquista	Against Franco's impunity	Puerta del Sol
02/20/15	10:30 – 12:30	Sec Sind Ayto Madrid - USO	Against social and labor cuts	Alcalá 45, Plaza Cibeles
02/20/15	11:00 – 12:30	Sec Sind Ayto Madrid USO	Against social and labor cuts	Plaza de la Villa, Mayor, Bailén, Plaza de la Villa
02/20/15	12:00 – 13:00	Fed Servicios Públicos UGT	Against cuts in Public Services	Sevilla, Alcalá, Gran Vía
02/20/15	18:00 – 20:00	Comité Empresa Cásbega Coca-Cola - Fuenlabrada	Against social and labor cuts	Callao, Preciados, Puerta del Sol

The U.S. Embassy encourages U.S. citizens to review the "[Traveler's Checklist](#)" which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad. All U.S. citizens in Spain are urged to enroll online at the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#) (STEP). Enrolling gives U.S. Citizens access to updated information on travel and security within Spain and makes it easier for the Embassy to contact citizens in case of emergency.

Current information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States or a regular toll line at-1-202-501-4444 for callers 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). You can also stay up to date by bookmarking our [Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#), which contains the current [Travel Warnings and Travel Alerts](#) as well as the [Worldwide Caution](#) as well as [Country Specific Information for Spain](#). Follow us on [Twitter](#) and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on [Facebook](#) as well.

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