

U.S. Mission to the United Arab Emirates
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Emergency Message # 24/2011 for US Citizens: Worldwide Caution

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The Department of State alerts U.S. citizens of the potential for anti-U.S. actions following the disruption of a plot, linked to Iran, to commit a significant terrorist act in the United States. This Travel Alert expires on January 11, 2012.

An Iranian-born U.S. citizen, working on behalf of the Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps Qods Force – designated by the Treasury Department in 2007 for its support of terrorism – is suspected of conspiring to assassinate the Saudi Arabian Ambassador to the United States. The U.S. government assesses that this Iranian-backed plan to assassinate the Saudi Ambassador may indicate a more aggressive focus by the Iranian Government on terrorist activity against diplomats from certain countries, to include possible attacks in the United States.

U.S. citizens residing and traveling abroad should review the Department's Worldwide Caution and other travel information when making decisions concerning their travel plans and activities while abroad. U.S. citizens are encouraged to enroll in the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#).

U.S. citizens without internet access may enroll directly at the nearest U.S. Embassy or U.S. Consulate. By enrolling, U.S. citizens make it easier for the embassy/consulates to contact them in case of emergency.

Up-to-date information on security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or, for callers outside the United States and Canada, on a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

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The U.S. Embassy in Abu Dhabi is located at Embassies District, Plot 38, Sector W59-02, Street No. 4, P.O. Box 4009. The telephone number is (971) (2) 414-2200, and the Consular Section fax number is (971) (2) 414-2241. The email address for American Citizens Services inquiries, including passport questions, is abudhabiacs@state.gov. The Embassy Internet web site is <http://abudhabi.usembassy.gov/>.

For after-hours emergencies in Abu Dhabi, contact the Embassy at (971) (2) 414-2500 for the Abu Dhabi Duty Officer.

The U.S. Consulate General in Dubai is located at the corner of Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed and Al Seef Streets on the Dubai Creek in Bur Dubai. The telephone number at the Consulate General is (971) (4) 309-4000. The email address for American Citizens Services inquiries, including passport questions, is DubaiWarden@state.gov. The web site for the U.S. Consulate General in Dubai is <http://dubai.usconsulate.gov/>.

For after-hours emergencies in Dubai, contact the Consulate General at (971)(4) 309-4000 for the Dubai Duty Officer.