



U.S. Embassy / Madrid, Spain

**Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Demonstrations
August 4, 2016**

DEMONSTRATIONS PLANNED FOR AUGUST 5 – 12, 2016

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 and escalate into violence. You should avoid areas of demonstrations, and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any large gatherings, protests, or demonstrations.

The Government Delegation in Madrid has authorized the following demonstrations:

DATE	DURATION	ORGANIZERS	PURPOSE OF PROTEST OR DEMONSTRATION	LOCATION
08/06/2016	18:00 – 21:30	Asociación Estudios Falun - Dafa	Human rights in China	Plaza del Callao
08/07/2016	11:30 – 13:30	Asociación “Adelante bebés robados”	In memoriam of our stolen children etc.	Puerta del Sol
08/11/2016	20:00 – 21:00	Plataforma contra la impunidad de los crímenes del Franquismo	Against Franco’s impunity etc.	Puerta del Sol
08/11/2016	20:00 – 21:00	Asociación Peones Negros de Madrid	In memoriam of victims of 11-M	Glorieta Emperador Carlos V – Rail Station Atocha RENFE (Cercanias)

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- See the [State Department's travel website](#) for the [Worldwide Caution](#), Travel Warnings, Travel Alerts, and [Spain Country Specific Information](#).
- Enroll in the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#) to receive security messages and make it easier to locate you in an emergency.
- Contact the U.S. Embassy in *Madrid, Spain*, located at Calle Serrano 75, 28006 Madrid, at +34 91 587 2200, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. After-hours emergency number for U.S. citizens is +34 91 587 2200.
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