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On December 11, 2007, two vehicle-borne explosive devices were detonated near the UN headquarters and the Algerian Constitutional Council in Algiers. The attacks occurred in residential areas where many diplomatic missions are located. The terrorist group that claimed credit for the December 11 attacks has pledged more attacks against foreign and specifically American targets. The Embassy therefore has implemented additional security measures. At the present time, daily movement of Embassy American personnel in Algiers is limited. Avoiding places where Westerners are known to regularly congregate, including bars and restaurants, places of worship, or schools, is advisable. Americans should remain alert and adhere to prudent security practices such as avoiding predictable travel patterns and maintaining a low profile.

American citizens in or traveling to Algeria are also urged to register with the Consular Section of the U.S. Embassy in Algiers. Americans can register in person at the Consular Section or online at <https://travelregistration.state.gov/ibrs/>. Up-to-date information on security conditions as well as general information concerning Algeria and the U.S. Embassy is also available on the Embassy's website <http://algiers.usembassy.gov/>. The Embassy is located at 5 Chemin Cheikh Bachir El-Ibrahimi, B.P. 408 (Alger-Gare) 16000, in the capital city of Algiers. We are still experiencing occasional technical difficulties with our phone system. For non-emergencies, please contact us by e-mail at consularalgiers@state.gov. If you are unable to reach the main Embassy number listed above concerning an emergency involving an American citizen, please call (213) 70 99 07 00.

For the latest security information, Americans living and traveling abroad should regularly monitor the Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs Internet web site at <http://www.travel.state.gov/>, where the current Worldwide Caution Public Announcement, Algeria Travel Warning, Algeria Consular Information Sheet and other Public Announcements and Travel Warnings can be found. 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, a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).