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## U.S. Army Europe officials warn travelers about Memorial Day weekend demonstration in Wiesbaden

**HEIDELBERG, Germany** -- U.S. Army Europe officials want members of the U.S. forces community travelling in the vicinity of Wiesbaden, Germany over the Memorial Day weekend to be aware of a planned demonstration.

Approximately 200-300 members of the Pro-Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, the Sri Lankan separatist group known as the Tamil Tigers, plan to demonstrate in the vicinity of Wiesbaden's main train station (hauptbahnhof) from 2-5 p.m., May 23. Demonstrators are expected to rally at the Reisinger Brunnen Anlage and march toward the city center along Friedrich-Ebert Allee, Bahnhofstrasse and Schwalbacher Strasse.

USAREUR Provost Marshal and force protection officials offer the following tips for those travelling in any area where demonstrations may occur:

- Be aware of your surroundings.
- Avoid planned gatherings or demonstrations.
- If you happen to come upon a demonstration, remain calm and disengage from the situation. Avoid speaking loudly.
- Try to be inconspicuous. Do not draw attention to yourself.
- Travel in small groups -- never alone -- and vary your routes and movements.
- Always let someone know where you are going and when you expect to return.
- Stay away from high-risk areas. The U.S. State Department keeps consular information sheets on high-risk locations in various countries.
- Know emergency numbers and potential safe areas, such as police and fire stations or consular offices, for the area in which you are traveling.
- Carry a cell phone if possible.
- Keep your vehicle in good working order and keep its fuel tank full.
- Consider joining an automobile club for help in the event of an accident or breakdown.
- If you are traveling and an incident occurs at your destination or any location on your itinerary, inform your unit or organization of your status as soon as possible.
- Monitor the American Forces Network if possible while traveling.



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