

Protest

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Germany Tactical: Left-wing protest march to begin at Leopoldplatz at 17:00 (local time) in Berlin on April 30; maintain vigilance

Please be advised

- Reports indicate that multiple left-wing groups, including Nordost-Antifa, are slated to carry out a protest march on April 30 against the alleged mismanagement of the COVID-19 pandemic along with other socio-economic concerns.
- Participants will gather at Leopoldplatz at 17:00 (local time) and will proceed via Elise-and-Otto-Hampel-Platz to Wedding.



Assessments

1. Based on the mobilization capacity of the groups involved, the protest is expected to witness a turnout in the mid-to-high hundreds. A bolstered security presence is likely to be deployed along the protest march to monitor proceedings and ensure compliance with current COVID-19

restrictions on public gatherings.

2. Judging by heightened anti-government sentiments related to the handling of the COVID-19 pandemic, the protest carries with it a latent potential for unrest. As such, localized unrest, including clashes between protesters and police, as well as counter-protesters, cannot be ruled out. In the event of widespread unrest, police are liable to use forcible dispersal methods, including conducting arrests.
3. Disruptions to vehicular and pedestrian traffic are anticipated in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations from the evening hours onwards.

Recommendations

Those operating or residing in Berlin on April 30 are advised to maintain vigilance and allot for disruptions in the vicinity of the abovementioned locations from the evening hours onwards due to the slated protest.