

## Protest

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**Pakistan Tactical: Protest in solidarity with Afghan civilians to be held at Karachi Press Club at 15:00 (local time) on August 24; maintain vigilance**

### Please be advised:

- Pakistan's Afghanistan Solidarity Committee is scheduled to hold a protest at Karachi Press Club at 15:00 (local time) on August 24.
- Protesters will be gathering in solidarity with the people of Afghanistan to denounce the Taliban's rule in the country.



### Assessments:

Turnout at the protest is likely to be in the mid-to-high dozens. Security is expected to be bolstered at the site and authorities are likely to forcibly disperse protesters if they attempt to block roads and if COVID-19-related restrictions on gatherings are

flouted, which could lead to low-level scuffles. This is also likely given Pakistan's overall endorsement of the Taliban, reflected in Prime Minister Imran Khan's statement on August 16. Localized traffic disruptions can be expected in the vicinity of the venue.

### **Recommendations:**

Those operating or residing in Karachi on August 24 are advised to maintain vigilance in the aforementioned location due to the slated protest while allotting for travel disruptions.