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Austria Tactical: Protest against former Chancellor Kurz to be held at Maria-Theresien-Platz in Vienna at 13:00 (local time) on October 16; allot for disruptions

Please be advised

- Reports indicate that a protest under the banner of “Kurz Muss Weg”, will be held at Maria-Theresien-Platz in Vienna at 13:00 (local time) on October 16. The protest has been organized to demand the formal resignation of former Chancellor Sebastian Kurz as a member of the Parliament.
- Protesters will also denounce the “Kurz system” especially following allegations that Kurz will likely act as a shadow chancellor, despite the appointment of Chancellor Alexander Schallenberg from the Österreichische Volkspartei (ÖVP) party.
- The slated protest, follows associated protests on October 7 and 12, with both the protests reportedly transpiring peacefully.



Assessments

1. Given precedent, the slated protest is likely to attract a turnout ranging from the high hundreds to the low thousands.
2. The protests are likely to transpire peacefully. Regardless, a bolstered security presence can be expected in the vicinity of the protest during the afternoon hours.
3. Significant disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular traffic can be anticipated in the vicinity of the protest from the afternoon hours onward.

Recommendations

Those operating or residing in Vienna on October 16 are advised to allot for disruptions to travel in the vicinity of Maria-Theresien-Platz during the afternoon hours.