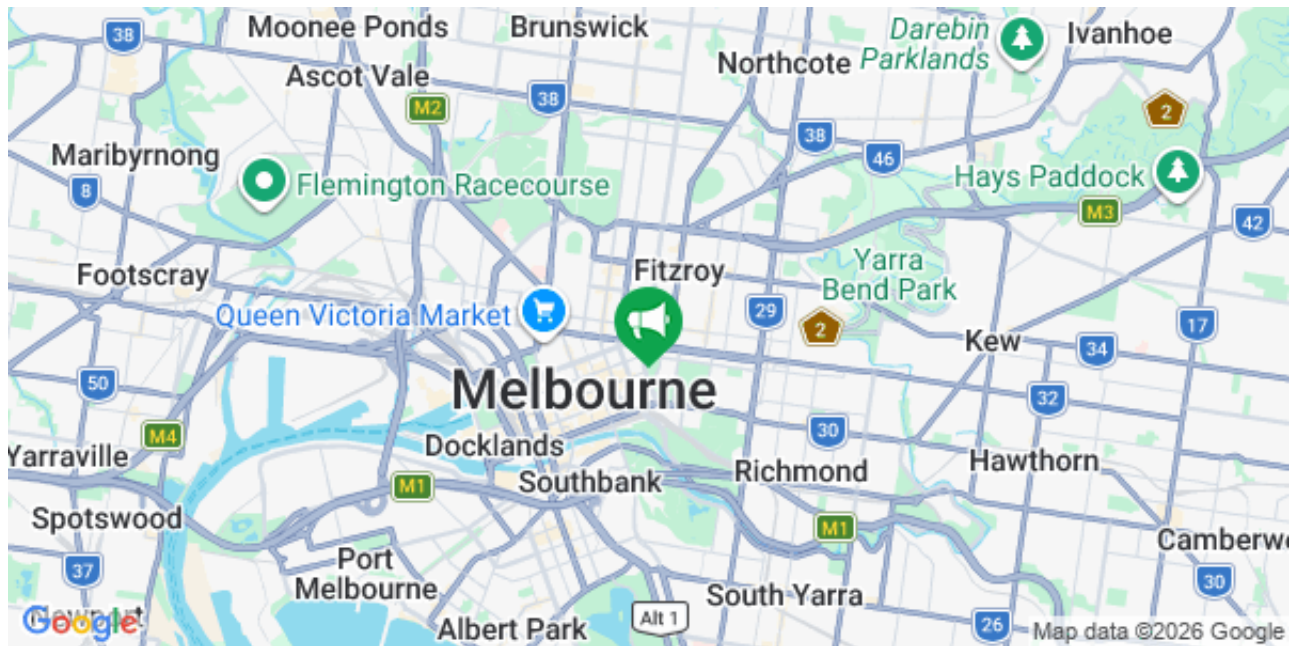




Protest



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Australia Tactical: Pro-Iranian monarchy, pro-Iranian refugee protest slated in Melbourne, Sydney on April 26, 30; allot for disruptions

Current Situation:

- Pro-Iranian monarchy activists will hold a protest rally from the State Library to the Parliament House of Victoria in Melbourne at 15:00-17:00 (local time) on April 26.
- Another protest is slated from Hyde Park to Martin Place in Sydney from 13:00 on the day.
- The protest will be held to oppose the Islamic Iranian government and express support for restoring a monarchy under exiled leader Reza Shah Pahlavi.
- Separately, a protest is slated outside the Department of Home Affairs at Adelaide Street in Brisbane from 12:00-15:00 on April 30.
- The protest will be held to oppose Australia's six-month ban on Iranian visitor visa holders and demand the protection of refugees' rights and the opening of borders to Iranians, along with all those seeking asylum.

Source: [Instagram](#), [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#)

Assessments & Forecast:

The turnout at the slated protest is likely to range in the low-to-mid dozens, given the precedent witnessed at similar gatherings, coupled with the ongoing resonance of the issue among the Iranian diaspora in the cities. The authorities are likely to bolster security measures in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations in Brisbane, Melbourne and Sydney, particularly around Parliament in Melbourne, given the sensitivity of the location. These measures are likely to include the deployment of police personnel and the setting up of barricades to monitor crowds. The protests are anticipated to transpire peacefully, considering the symbolic nature of the gathering. Localized disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular travel are anticipated in the vicinity of all aforementioned locations during the protest hours on April 26.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Brisbane, Melbourne and Sydney on April 26 are advised to allot for disruptions in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the slated protests.