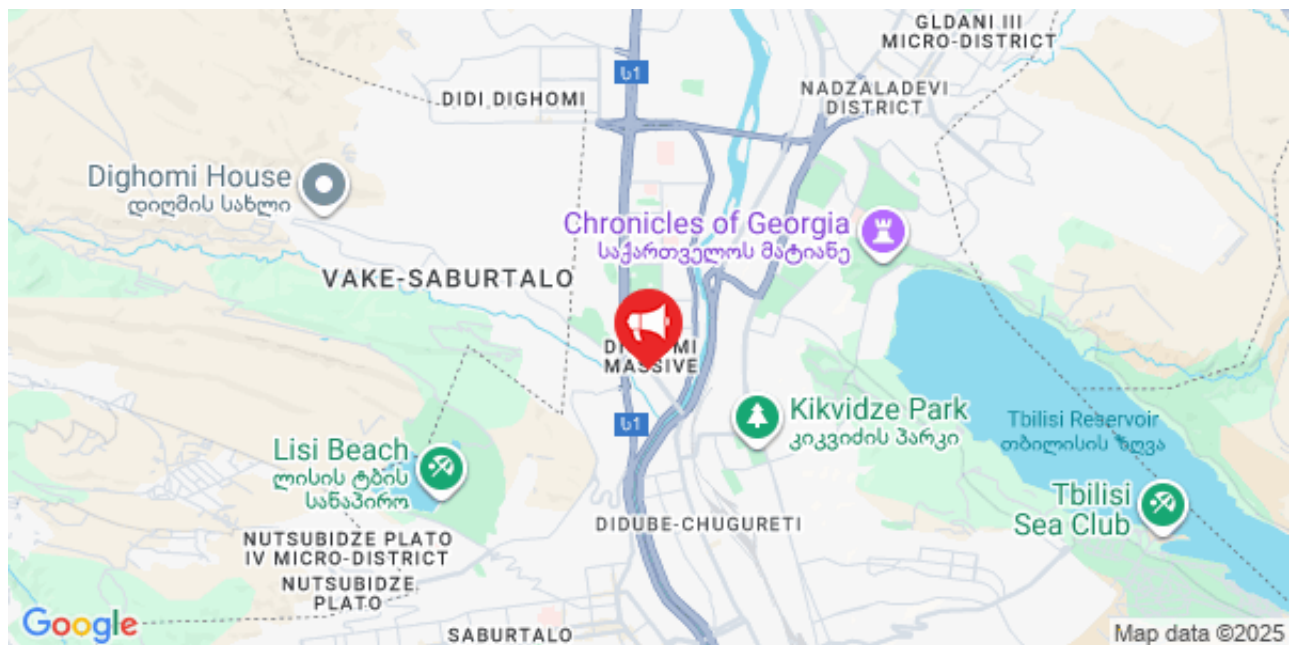


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Georgia Tactical: Multiple anti-GD protests slated in Tbilisi from 14:00 (local time) on December 3; avoid vicinity of rallies

Current Situation:

- Activists are slated to hold protests outside the Tbilisi City Court, First Building of the Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (TSU) at 14:00 (local time) and along the Court of Appeals at 16:00 on December 3.
- The activists will also hold a protest rally from the 5th Street of Shota Rustaveli Avenue to Eagle Hill's office near the Parliament at 19:00, followed by the protest on Shota Rustaveli Avenue at 20:00 on December 3.
- The slated protests are part of the anti-Georgian Dream (GD) movement against the ruling party's alleged anti-EU policies, undemocratic measures, and disproportionate crackdown on dissenters.



Source: [Facebook](#)

Assessments & Forecast:

1. The turnout in the slated protests is likely to range between low to mid hundreds, based on precedent, coupled with sustained anti-government sentiment. As part of the standard security protocol, the authorities are likely to heighten security protocol in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations, particularly outside the Tbilisi City Court, given the ongoing trials against detained anti-GD activists and alleged political prisoners. These measures are likely to include additional deployment of police personnel, riot units, and the placement of barricades to monitor the proceedings.
2. There remains a high risk of clashes between the police and protesters, given the authorities' low tolerance for anti-government demonstrations and coupled with the precedent. The police are expected to employ forcible dispersal measures should the participants engage in perceived disruptive behavior, such as breaching security protocols, blocking major thoroughfares, engaging in provocative sloganeering, and the use of pyrotechnics against security forces. These measures will likely include temporary detentions and baton charges to quell the unrest. Stringent measures, such as the deployment of tear gas, water cannons, and rubber bullets, cannot be ruled out in extreme cases of clashes. Significant disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular travel are expected in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the expected turnout and related security measures during the protest hours on December 3.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Tbilisi on December 3 are advised to avoid nonessential travel in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the slated protests and associated high risk of unrest, while allotting for travel disruptions.