



## Protest



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**France Tactical: Protest to be held outside Central Police Station in Paris' 9th arrondissement from 14:00 (local time) on April 16; avoid nonessential travel**

### Please be advised

- Reports indicate that anti-government activists have called for a protest outside the Central Police Station in Paris' 9th arrondissement, located on 5 Rue de Parme, from 14:00 (local time) on April 16.
- The protest has been organized in solidarity with individuals arrested at previous pension reform demonstrations.



## Assessments

1. Based on social media estimates, the protest is liable to witness a turnout in the low-to-mid hundreds. Given the location, a bolstered security presence is expected to be deployed in the vicinity of 5 Rue de Parme to monitor proceedings.
2. Considering the heightened sentiments and elevated levels of unrest at anti-pension reform protests in recent days, the protest carries an elevated potential for clashes between protesters and the police. Should unrest escalate, protesters are liable to throw projectiles and incendiary devices at police and engage in vandalism, such as smashing windows and setting vehicles on fire. Authorities are likely to respond with forcible crowd dispersal methods, including the use of pepper spray, tear gas, water cannons, and conducting mass arrests.
3. Significant disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular travel are anticipated in the vicinity of 5 Rue de Parme from the afternoon hours onwards.

## Recommendations

Those operating or residing in Paris on April 16 are advised to avoid nonessential travel in the vicinity of 5 Rue de Parme from the afternoon hours onwards due to the elevated potential for unrest at the slated protest.