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France Tactical (UPDATE): Multiple protests slated to take place in Paris on November 17; maintain heightened vigilance

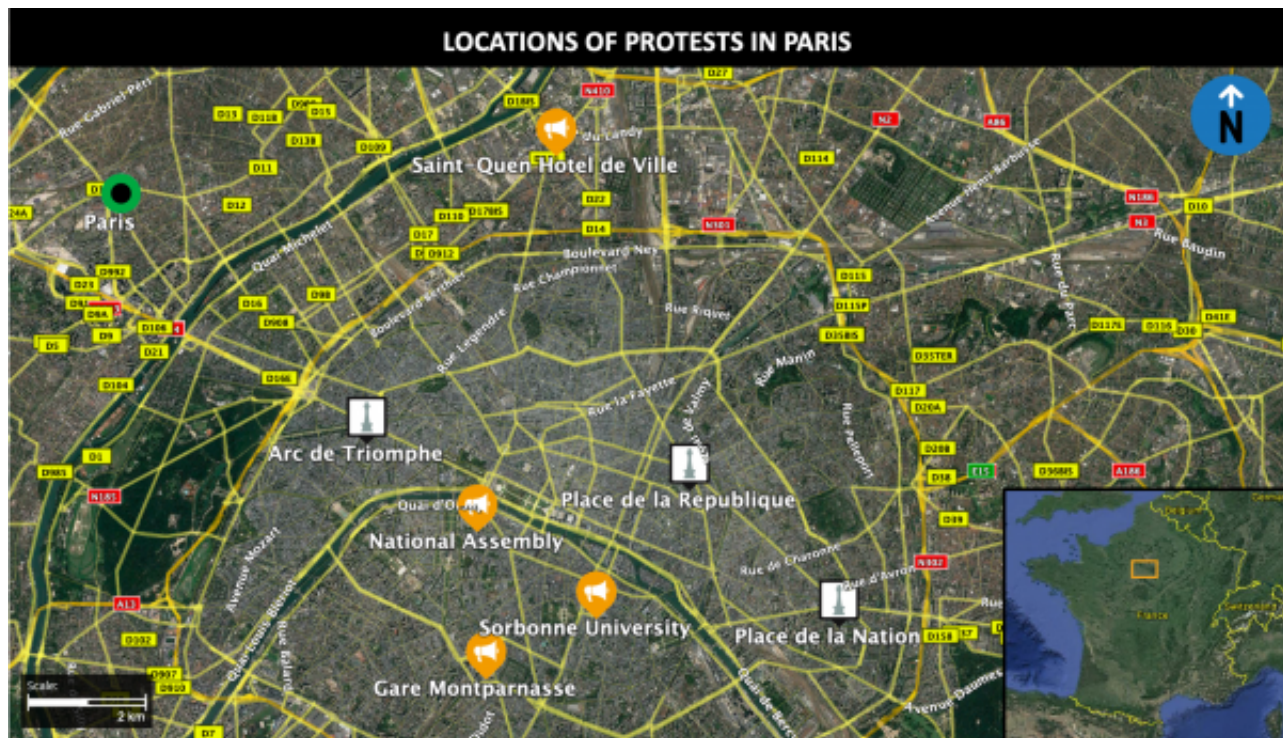
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- Multiple events are scheduled to take place on November 17, which will all march towards the National Assembly in Paris, where they will meet at 18:00 (local time) and jointly protest against the controversial new comprehensive security bill.

Group	Location	Time (local)
Yellow Vest	Gare Montparnasse	14:45
Anti-Research Law	Sorbonne University	15:00
Anti-Paris 2024 Olympics	Saint-Ouen Hotel de Ville	15:30
Anti-Security Bill by SNJ	Place Edouard Herriot outside National Assembly	16:00

- **Unrest has been recorded throughout the morning of November 17 following a demonstration that took place at 09:30 at Hotel de Ville in Paris amid a strike by garbage collectors and sewer workers against the law of transformation of the public service.**



Assessments

1. Given precedent, turnout for the demonstrations is likely to range in the mid-to-high hundreds, with the joint protest at the National Assembly likely to see a turnout of low-mid thousands.
2. As violent unrest is commonly reported at Yellow Vests demonstrations, events carry a heightened potential for clashes between demonstrators and police, with security forces likely to use forcible dispersal methods, including tear gas, water cannons, and conduct arrests. This is further supported by the nationwide COVID-19-related gathering restrictions and security forces enforcing these restrictions. As such, a bolstered police presence is expected in the vicinity of the National Assembly and other protest locations.
3. Significant travel disruptions to both vehicular and pedestrian traffic movement should be anticipated in the vicinity of the National Assembly during the slated timings and the areas of other demonstrations in and around Paris.

Recommendations

Those operating or residing in Paris on November 17 are advised to maintain heightened vigilance in the vicinity of protests due to the elevated potential for unrest.