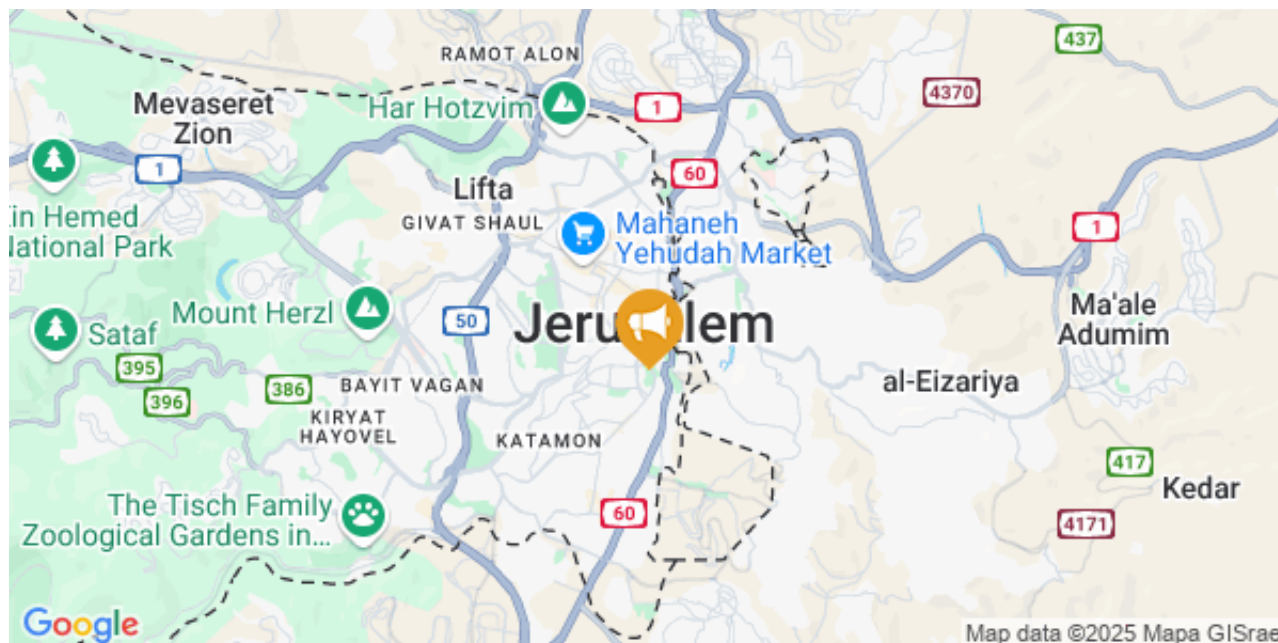


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Israel Tactical (UPDATE): Far-right group slated to protest Jerusalem's Pride Parade at Liberty Bell Park on June 5 at 16:00; maintain heightened vigilance

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Current Situation:

- The leader of the far-right "Lehava" organization has called for a counter-protest march to coincide with the Jerusalem Pride Parade on June 5.
- Demonstrators are slated to gather at the **Begin Heritage Center** in Jerusalem at 16:00 (local time) before marching to **Liberty Bell Park**, where the Pride Parade participants are slated to begin a march to **Independence Park**.
- Organizers stated in their announcement that they had "police permission" to protest.

Source: [Lehava](#)



Assessments & Forecast:

1. **FORECAST:** Based on precedent, the Lehava demonstration is expected to attract a turnout in the high dozens. Tensions between supporters and opponents of the Pride Parade are likely to be heightened, especially given the current polarized political environment. Counter-protesters will likely chant slogans denouncing the Pride Parade. While low, there remains an underlying risk of violence by anti-LGBT protesters.
2. A significant deployment of security personnel is likely in the vicinity of the Pride Parade and the counter-protest to prevent clashes between the two sides. Security forces may detain participants behaving in an unruly manner, though scuffles cannot be ruled out.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Jerusalem during the afternoon hours of June 5 are advised to broadly maintain heightened vigilance in the vicinity of the Pride Parade due to the potential for localized, isolated instances of violence between participants and anti-LGBT protesters.