

Protest



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Mexico Tactical: Teachers' union suspends strike, maintains call for sit-in protest at Zocalo in Mexico City from 10:00 (local time) on June 11; allot for disruptions

Current Situation

- According to June 10 reports, the Coordinadora Nacional de Trabajadores de la Educación (CNTE), a national education workers union, announced the suspension of an ongoing strike for June 11-12. However, the union maintained its call for a mobilization at the Zocalo in Mexico City from 10:00 (local time) onwards on June 11.
- The suspension of the strike, which was in effect since May 15, was announced following the establishment of communication channels between the CNTE's representatives and President Andrés Manuel López Obrador (AMLO), to demand negotiations regarding affiliated workers' pensions, retirement age, and wage increases.



Assessments & Forecast

1. Based on precedent, coupled with CNTE's mobilization capabilities, the protest is anticipated to witness a turnout in the high hundreds to low thousands.
2. Additionally, the continuity of the sit-in organized by the CNTE since May 15 at the Zocalo is likely to be determined by the outcome of negotiations between the union's representatives and government officials in the coming days. Nonetheless, announcements by the CNTE reflect the likelihood of the sit-in ending or witnessing diminished participation.
3. As witnessed on May 24, spontaneous protests extending support to the teachers' demands are possible in major cities across the states of Chiapas, Michoacan, Morelia, Oaxaca, and Zacatecas, among others. Such protests will likely attract turnouts in the low-to-mid hundreds at each location.
4. Based on precedent, including previous protests by the CNTE over the same issue, the demonstration is likely to transpire without major instances of unrest.
5. Nonetheless, a security presence can be expected in the vicinity of the Zocalo, alongside other major government facilities and key public locations in the vicinity, in Mexico City, to monitor proceedings.
6. Consequently, disruptions to pedestrian traffic can be anticipated in the vicinity of the Zocalo on June 11.

Recommendations

Those operating or residing in Mexico City on June 11 are advised to allot for disruptions to pedestrian traffic in the vicinity of the Zocalo from the morning hours due to the slated protest.