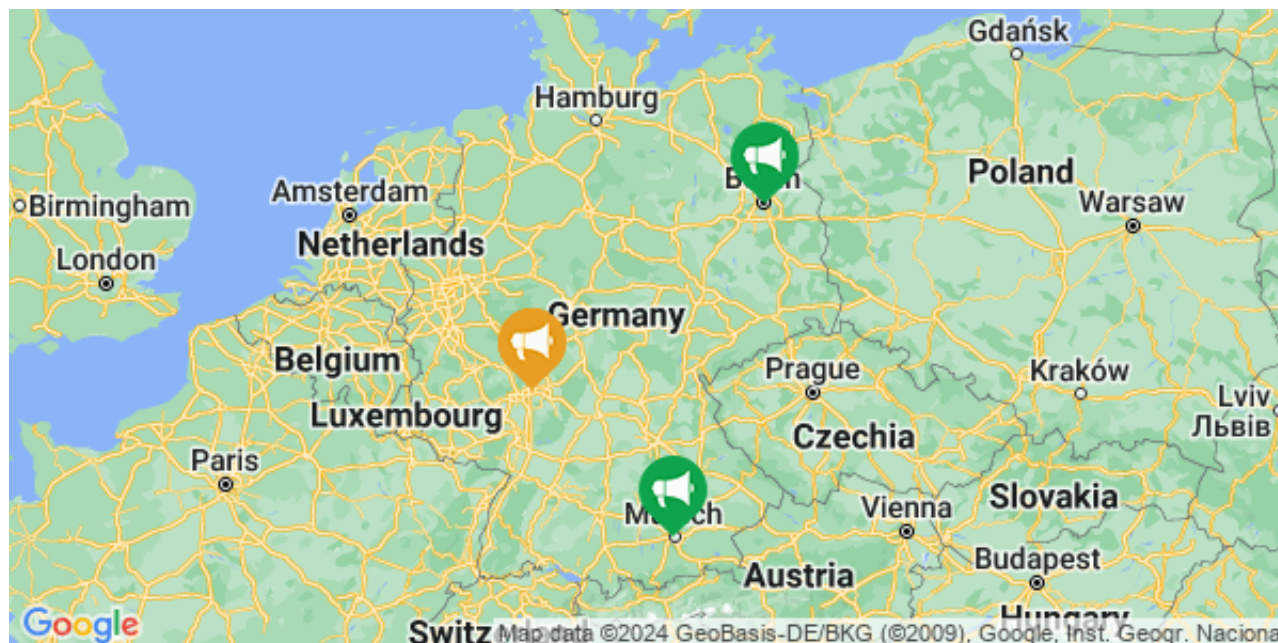


Protest



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Germany Tactical: Several political protests to take place in Berlin, Frankfurt, Munich on May 25; maintain heightened vigilance

Current Situation

- Several political demonstrations are slated to take place in multiple cities, including Berlin, Frankfurt, and Munich, on May 25.
- In **Berlin**, the Black Liberation Collective (BLC) will hold a protest denouncing alleged imperialism in Africa and South America on the occasion of Africa Day at Gorlitzer Park at 15:00 (local time).
- In **Frankfurt**, the Deutschland Steht Auf (DSA) association will hold a demonstration at Opernplatz at 13:00 to bring awareness to the upcoming European Parliament elections.

- The group is also organizing several political events at Opernplatz throughout the day involving several speakers, including Michael Ballweg who previously carried out protests against COVID-19 pandemic measures.
- Several left-wing groups have announced a counterprotest at the intersection of Bockenheimer Landstrasse and Taunusanlage at 14:00 to denounce the involvement of Ballweg and other perceived far-right activists at the DSA events.
- In **Munich**, several left-wing parties, including the center-left Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands (SPD), will participate in a demonstration calling for the preservation of democratic measures at Marienplatz from 14:00-18:00.

Assessments & Forecast

1. Based on the organizers' mobilizing capabilities, the protests are expected to witness a turnout ranging from the low hundreds to low thousands each, with the left-wing demonstration in Munich expected to garner the largest attendance.
2. The protests in Berlin and Munich are expected to transpire largely peacefully. However, the demonstrations in Frankfurt carry a potential for unrest in the form of clashes between protesters, counter-protesters, and the police.
3. With that, authorities are likely to deploy a bolstered security presence near the protest locations to monitor proceedings. In the event of escalating unrest, police are liable to use forcible crowd dispersal methods, including conducting arrests.
4. Disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular movement can be anticipated in the vicinity of these protest locations during the slated timings.

Recommendations

1. Those operating or residing in the abovementioned cities in Germany on May 25 are advised to maintain heightened vigilance near the protests in Frankfurt due to the potential for unrest.
2. Allot for disruptions to travel in the vicinity of the aforementioned protest locations during the slated times.