



PMPR MAY 2026
Point Mensuel des Pays à Risques

THE SSF MONTHLY REPORT ON HIGH-RISK COUNTRIES

Summary of alerts – Countries to monitor – Calendar

Focal points in April

| | |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Algeria | Twin attempted suicide bombings near a police station in Blida 13 April (other explosive devices detected), on the fringes of the Pope's visit. |
| Colombia | Increased violence in Cauca and Valle del Cauca, marked by a deadly bomb attack on the Pan-American Highway (21 dead 25 April). |
| Persian Gulf | US-Israel-Iran ceasefire generally upheld since 8 April, but conflict shifted to the Strait of Hormuz (incidents in early May). |
| Mali | Highly volatile security situation following the coordinated offensive by JNIM and the ALF 25 April , including a bomb attack in Kati and strikes targeting Bamako Airport and several cities. Fighting reported, especially in Kidal. |
| Mexico | Shooting at the archaeological site of the Pyramids of Teotihuacan (Mexico State) 20 April, in which a Canadian tourist was killed and 4 people were injured. |
| United Kingdom | Terror threat level raised 30 April to 4/5 following a knife attack in Golders Green, London, in which two members of the Jewish community were injured . |



Decline



Colombia
Mali
Nigeria
Ukraine

Improvement



Hungary

None in April

None in April

Countries to monitor in May >

Russia & former USSR countries

9 May: Victory Day, marking the anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe (1945). Commemorations in Moscow, but with no military equipment given the intensification of the war in Ukraine (significant security reinforcements, unilateral ceasefires not respected).

China

14-15 May: US President Donald Trump to travel to Beijing to meet Chinese President Xi Jinping.

Israel / Palestine & Muslim World

15 May: Nakba Day ("catastrophe") marking the exodus of the Palestinians (1948) – Demonstrations to be expected, risk of tension.

Saudi Arabia

24 to 29 May: Hajj pilgrimage to Mecca and Eid al-Adha 27 May – Travel disruption and increased security to be expected.

Colombia

31 May: first round of the presidential election, amid escalating violence by armed groups, several candidates threatened, risk of tension

Guinea

31 May: legislative and local elections.

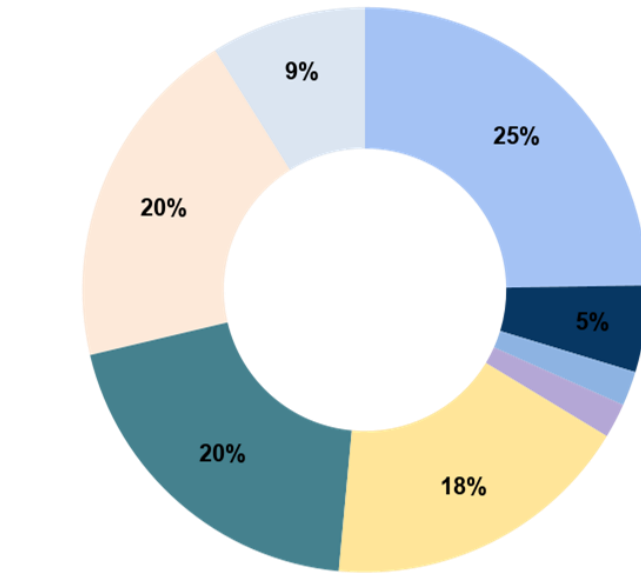
Summary of alerts

+ 971 alerts
 + 73 classified critical or urgent

In April 2026, SSF issued a total of **971 safety-security alerts** concerning all kinds of risks in order to inform its customers of the latest events likely to have an impact on their interests and the safety or security of their employees throughout the world. The alerts covered **139 countries**.

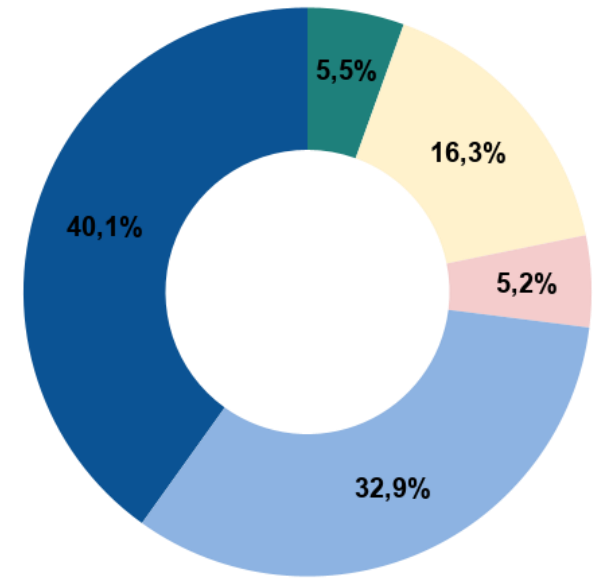
73 of the alerts were **classified as either critical or urgent**, which specifically activate **our 24-hour Security Operations Centre (SOC)**, notably with regards to **Japan** (earthquake measuring 7.4, including a tsunami warning off the coast of Miyako 20 April).

Geographic Distribution



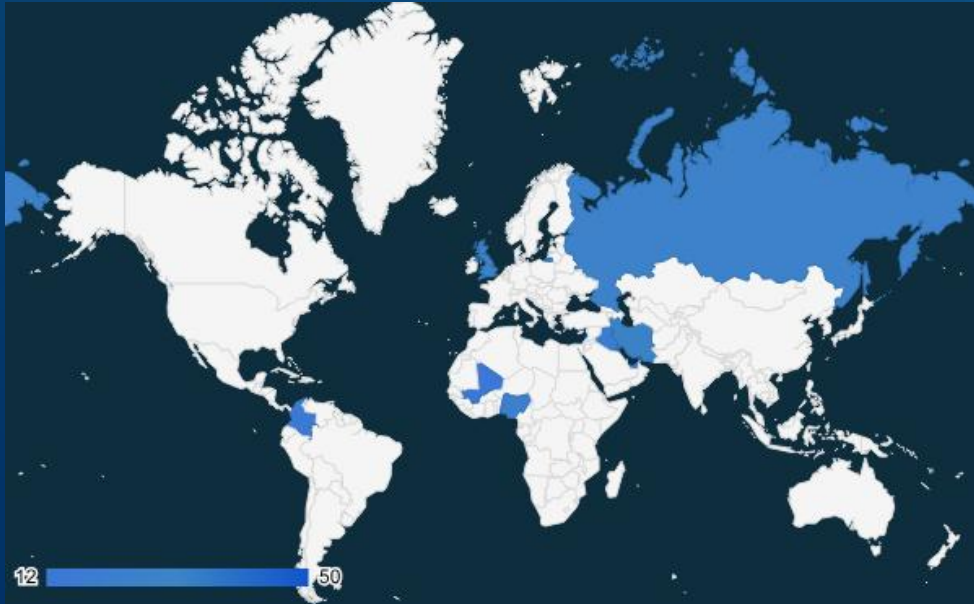
- Middle East / North Africa
- Sub-Saharan Africa
- Asia
- Europe
- Central America
- South America
- Oceania/Pacific

Type of Risk



- Social & Political Issues
- Conflicts & Terrorism
- Crime
- Health & Natural Hazards
- Travel

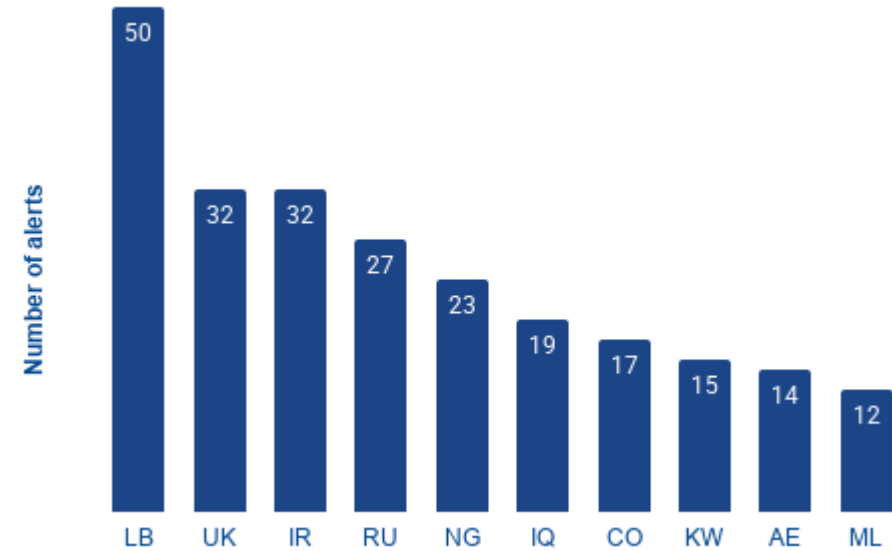
10 countries to monitor



The countries that accounted for the highest number of alerts sent by SSF in April 2026 are **Lebanon**, the **United Kingdom**, **Iran**, **Russia**, **Nigeria**, **Iraq**, **Colombia**, **Kuwait**, the **United Arab Emirates** and **Mali**.

In total, these 10 countries generated **241 safety–security alerts**, representing **24%** of all the alerts sent over the last month.

Countries engaged in long–term warfare or with extremely high levels of insecurity in general (Afghanistan, Libya, Syria, Yemen, Somalia, Sudan and Ukraine) have been deliberately excluded from the list.



Number of alerts issued in April 2026 and main risk factor according to country



Colombia

Escalation of violence in Cauca and Valle del Cauca: 21 people killed in an **explosion on the Pan-American Highway in Cajibío** (25 April), attributed to a FARC dissident group, amid multiple armed attacks (drones, explosives) against security forces, including in Cali (24–25 April). Warning from the French authorities regarding the terrorist threat along the Cali-Popayan-Pasto route (27 April). Main suspect in the attack arrested (28 April). At least 6 people killed in an attack by armed individuals near Popayan (9 April) – **Norte de Santander:** high alert following a military operation against the ELN, several fighters killed in Catatumbo (22 April). Roadblocks in Cúcuta (13 April) – **Bogotá:** clashes between police and taxi drivers at El Dorado Airport (8 April), as well as between police and protesters near the National Pedagogical University (24 April). Traffic disruption at El Dorado Airport after a drone flew over the site (30 April) – **Antioquia:** industrial fire in Itagüí (29 April) – **Nationwide:** protests against increases in rural property taxes (9 April), teachers on strike (15 April).

United Arab Emirates

US-Israel/Iran conflict: Iranian attacks have eased following the US-Iranian ceasefire that came into effect on the 8 April, unilaterally extended by Washington 21 April, before **resuming 4 & 5 May**. Iranian drone caused a fire at the **Fujairah** oil facility (3 injured) – **Abu Dhabi:** debris from an interception caused damage to the Habshan gas complex (one dead, 4 injured), the Borouge petrochemical plant (5 April), in Abjan (12 injured 3 April) and in Musaffah (6 April) – **Sharjah:** 2 injured by a missile hitting an administrative building in Thuraya (7 April), 4 injured in the port of Khor Fakkan (5–6 April) – **Dubai:** reports of explosions from interception attempts (2 April) – **Strait of Hormuz:** closed to commercial traffic by Iran; several incidents reported, including Iranian attacks on ships off the coast of the UAE in early May – 27-member cell dismantled, allegedly linked to Iran and planning acts of sabotage (20 April).

Iraq

President Nizar Amedi elected by Parliament following two postponements (11 April), followed by the appointment of **Ali al-Zaidi as prime minister** (27 April). US Embassy issued a warning regarding attacks, kidnappings and bombings targeting US interests in the country (8 April) – **Baghdad:** repeated attacks by pro-Iranian militias against US diplomatic and logistical facilities (1, 2, 5–6, 8 April), 2 people killed and 3 injured when a projectile landed on a house in Amiriya (7 April), 1 person injured by a non-intercepted drone over the Green Zone following the ceasefire in Iran (28 April). US journalist released (7 April) after being kidnapped by individuals linked to Kataeb Hezbollah (31/03) – **Basra Governorate:** 3 civilians killed and 5 injured in a strike on a

house in Khor Al-Zubair (7 April). Drones hit oil complexes in Burjesia and Majnoon (4 April) – **Al-Anbar:** 2 dead in repeated strikes near the Syrian border targeting the Hashd al-Shaabi (4, 7 April) – **Kurdistan:** 2 dead when an Iranian drone hit near Zaragazawi (7 April). Iranian strikes on camps housing Iranian Kurdish opposition groups in exile (PDKI, Komala, 4 dead 14 & 17 April). Explosions near Erbil Airport and strike on a Hashd al-Shaabi position in Kirkuk (6 April). Resumption of gas production at Khor Mor (13 April).

Iran

Ongoing Israeli-American airstrikes on Iran before a lull set in following the 8 April ceasefire, extended by Washington 21 April US naval blockade of Iranian ports (13 April), with Tehran making the lifting of the blockade a condition for any resumption of negotiations – **Strait of Hormuz:** reopened (17 April), immediately closed again by the Revolutionary Guards (18 April), traffic down 96% according to Kpler, repeated maritime incidents (18, 19, 22 April) then early May saw a period of renewed escalation of tension around the strait in the absence of substantive progress in the Iran-US talks mediated by Islamabad – Early April: **Tehran** and **Alborz**, repeated strikes (1–3, 6–7 April), Karaj B1 bridge destroyed (8 dead, 95 injured), Pasteur Institute, Rafi-Nia synagogue and Kashan railway bridge hit, IRGC intelligence chief eliminated (6 April), Tabriz–Tehran motorway and trains to Mashhad suspended (7 April), partial resumption of rail services (12–13 April). Air defence activated (23, 30 April). Explosions reported in the Jeyhun area, 3 injured (15 April) – **South (Bushehr, Khuzestan, Hormozgan):** strikes on South Pars/Asaluyeh (6 April), Mahshahr petrochemical plant (5 dead, 170 injured). Evacuation of 200 Rosatom employees from Bushehr (4–13 April) – **Isfahan:** Mobarakeh and Sefid Dasht steel complexes shut down, expected to resume operations in 6–12 months (1–2 April) – **Kohgiluyeh:** 5 dead in a rescue operation for an American pilot in Kuh-e-Siyah (4–5 April) – **Sistan-Baluchistan:** armed attack on a patrol in Zahedan, leaving 1 dead and 3 wounded; likely involvement of Jaish al-Adl (29 April) – **Airspace:** partially reopened (18 April); resumption of international flights from Mashhad (20 April).

Kuwait

Repeated Iranian attacks across the country prior to the ceasefire: 8 missiles and 19 drones destroyed (5 April), 17 drones intercepted (7 April), followed by another 7 (9–10 April). 24 people arrested for alleged funding of terrorist organisations (11 April) – **Kuwait City:** fire at the headquarters of the Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) and damage to the ministerial complex (5 April), 6 injured by falling debris in a residential area (6 April), night-time lockdown (8 April), National Guard site hit and several injured, reports of suspicious debris (9–10 April) – **International Airport:** significant material damage, no casualties (1 April), facility still out of service – **South:** interception of 28 Iranian drones targeting power stations (3, 5 April), oil facilities (Mina Al-Ahmadi refinery 3 April) and desalination plants (8 April) – **Northern border:** 2 Iraqi explosive drones targeted border posts (24 April) following the ceasefire.

Lebanon

Repeated breaches of the 10-day ceasefire that came into effect 17 April in the conflict with Israel, extended 23 April. At least 2,586 people killed and 8,020 injured since 2 March (figures as of 1 May) – **Beirut and the southern suburbs**: multiple Israeli strikes killing at least 256 people (1–8 April), a day of national mourning declared 9 April. US warning of Iranian attacks that could target universities in Beirut (3 April) – **Southern Lebanon and Nabatiyeh**: ongoing artillery fire and ground fighting; repeated evacuation orders issued by Israeli army, including along the southern coastline as far as Tyre (7 April). Houses destroyed within a 10-km border strip, and bridges over the Litani (including Qasmiyeh 8 April). Vatican’s humanitarian convoy shot at in Bint Jbeil District (7 April); the town of Bint Jbeil surrounded, with fighting (13–15 April); 2 French soldiers killed in an attack attributed to Hezbollah on UNIFIL patrol in Ghanduriyah (18 April). 3 UN peacekeepers injured in an explosion targeting a UN position near Odaisseh in Marjayoun District. Fatal strikes are recorded in Tyre District (8–9, 12–13, 15, 25, 28–30 April), notably in Qana, where UNIFIL positions were also hit by Israeli tanks (12 April). Nabatiyeh and Sidon districts, several deadly strikes (8–11, 13, 23, 28, 30 April), 3 rescue workers killed (15–16 April) – **Bekaa**: repeated deadly strikes on the Sohmor-Machgara sector (1, 3–4 April).

Mali

Highly volatile security situation following the joint JNIM/ALF offensive 25 April: armed forces chief, Sadio Camara, killed in a suicide bombing in Kati; attacks on Bamako Airport and the cities of Kati, Sévaré, Mopti and Gao (Gao temporarily captured before the ALF withdrew); ALF capture Kidal, withdrawal of Africa Corps from Kidal negotiated with the ALF, 3-day renewable curfew announced in Bamako (25 April), address by Assimi Goïta claiming the situation was “under control”, though “extremely serious” (28 April) – **Bamako**: reports of gunfire at Modibo Keita Airport (27 April), gradual imposition of a blockade on the capital by JNIM (28 April) – **Kidal**: renewed fighting between the armed forces and the ALF (26 April), army air strikes on suspected ALF positions (29 April) – **Travel advice**: US diplomatic authorities urge people to stay indoors (28 April); French diplomatic authorities advise temporarily leaving the country (29 April).

Nigeria

North West, North-Central, North East: ongoing attacks by armed and jihadist groups against civilians (massacres, villages set on fire, mass abductions) and assaults on military positions, notably resulting in the death of a senior military officer (9 April). Increased army deployments and clearance operations; continued kidnappings targeting rural and religious communities amid a security emergency, notably including an ultimatum from Boko Haram regarding 416 hostages (19 April) – **Niger State**: armed attacks targeting civilians in Erena (7–

8 April April), leaving at least 50 dead – **Plateau State**: riots in Jos following a shooting 29 March (1 April), local curfew imposed (2 April) and subsequently relaxed (15 April) – **Benue State**: armed attack on Mbalom, 17 dead (5 April) – **Abuja**: US diplomatic authorities warn of risk of terrorist attack (8 April) – **Lagos**: gas leak and disruption following an accident involving a tanker lorry (28 April).

United Kingdom

Nationwide: terror alert level was raised to “severe” (4 out of 5) 30 April, following the knife attack that injured two members of the Jewish community in Golders Green, London, 29 April; the attack was claimed by the HAYI Islamist group and classed as a terrorist incident. 7 suspects arrested in connection with a planned arson attack on Jewish sites in several cities (19–20 April). Disruption caused by Storm Dave (4–5 April). Doctors’ strike (7–13 April) – **London**: 523 people arrested during a pro-Palestine demonstration (11 April). Multiple demonstrations, including one against anti-Semitism in Downing Street (30 April) – **Manchester**: clashes during a Britain First demonstration and a counter-demonstration, 3 people arrested (18 April). Industrial fire at Trafford Park (24 April) – **Birmingham**: disruption linked to the partial evacuation of the North Terminal at the airport (7 April) – **Northern Ireland**: explosion involving a car bomb outside a police station in Dunmurry (26 April). In Belfast, security alert at Canning Place (12 April), disruption on the way to the airport due to protests against rising fuel prices (24 April).

Russia

Ongoing conflict with Ukraine, with both sides violating the Easter truce (11–12 April). At least 7 people killed in Ukrainian strikes on several towns in Belgorod Oblast (7, 16, 28, 29 April), 3 killed in Aleksandrov (Vladimir, 7 April), 1 killed in Novokuybyshevsk (Samara, 23 April), 1 killed in Sevastopol (Crimea, 26 April), 1 killed in Taganrog and a foreign cargo ship damaged in the Sea of Azov (Rostov, 4 April). **Energy infrastructure** hit: the Tuapse refinery, 3 dead and a local state of emergency (Krasnodar, 16, 20, 28 April), loading terminals in Novorossiysk (Krasnodar, 6 April); the ports of Primorsk and Vysotsk (Leningrad, 5, 17–18 April); oil pipeline in Prosvet (Samara, 20–21 April), oil storage tank in Volzhsky (Volgograd, 10 April), sulphuric acid pipeline (5 injured, Vologda, 26 April), industrial sites in Perm and Orsk (flight restrictions, Perm and Orenburg, 29 April) – **Ulyanovsk**: 22 injured in the derailment of the Chelyabinsk–Moscow train near Bryandino (3 April) – **Dagestan**: severe flooding causing 5 deaths (5–7 April) – **Moscow**: 5 dead in a fire at a construction site (28 April) – **North Ossetia**: 2 dead in the explosion of a fireworks warehouse in Vladikavkaz (10 April) – **Kaliningrad**: 3 injured in a fire at the Giant shopping centre (5 April).

Events to look out for in May

Regional Calendar



Africa



2 May

Chad: potential demonstration by the Consultation Group of Political Actors in N'Djamena – increased security and disruption should be expected.

5 May

Ethiopia: Patriots' Victory Day, paying tribute to fallen independence fighters (1941).

7 May

Malawi : protest march by local activists in Lilongwe – Traffic disruption possible.
Mayotte (France): taxi strike on Petite-Terre – Increased security and disruption to be expected.

11 May to 12 May

Kenya: Africa-France Summit in Nairobi – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

12 May

Uganda: President Yoweri Museveni to be sworn-in for a 7th term in office in Kampala, after being re-elected in January.

13 May

Burundi : anniversary of the attempted coup led by General Godefroid Nyombare (2015).
Madagascar: 54th anniversary of the killing of demonstrators during a student protest (1972) – Rallies possible.

13-15 May and 18-22 May

Mali: strike threat in the education industry – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

17 May

Cape-Verde: legislative elections – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) : 29th anniversary of the coup by Laurent-Désiré Kabila – Demonstrations should not be ruled out..

20 May

Cameroon: National Day (1972) – Festivities and security reinforcements likely.

23 May

Nigeria: ruling party primaries for the 2027 general election.

24 May

Eritrea: Independence Day (1991) – Commemorations should be expected.

28 May

Ethiopia: National Day commemorating the fall of the Derg (1991).

30 May

Nigeria: anniversary of the creation of the short-lived Republic of Biafra 1967-1970) – Demonstrations likely, incidents should not be ruled out.

31 May

Guinea: legislative and local elections.

The Americas



28 April to 1 May

United States: visit by King Charles III.

1 to 2 May

Bermuda: visit by King Charles III.

1 May

Cuba : May Day celebrations under the banner "Defending the Homeland".

Mexico: national postal strike – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

Dominican Republic: demonstration by the ultra-nationalist Antigua Orden Dominicana (AOD) movement .

2 May

Brazil: Colombian music artist Shakira to headline a free concert on Copacabana Beach in Rio – Increased security and large crowds expected.

5 May

Bolivia: national transport strike – Increased security and disruption expected; demonstration should not be ruled out.

Brazil: demonstration by unionised retired public sector workers in Porto Alegre – Disruption possible.

6 May

Argentina: indefinite strike by transport union in Santiago del Estero Province – Travel disruption should be expected.

Brazil : ongoing strike action and a demonstration in Sao Paulo – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

Panama: official visit by Israeli President Isaac Herzog – Increased security and potential disruption to be expected.

Peru: protest at Campo de Marte in Lima against alleged irregularities in the general election – Increased security, large turnout and localised disruption to be expected.

7 May

Argentina: birthday of Eva Peron (1919) – Commemorations likely.

12 May

Argentina: education industry demonstration on Plaza de Mayo in Buenos Aires and in Rosario – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

17 May

United States: National Jubilee of Prayer announced by President Trump at the National Mall in Washington.

18 May

Haiti: Flag Day celebrations – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

19 May

United States: birthday of Malcolm X (1925) – Demonstrations against police brutality should not be ruled out.

24 May

Bermuda: National Day – Commemorations and rallies should be expected.

25 May

Argentina: anniversary of the May Revolution marking the first uprising against Spanish rule (1810) – Commemorations likely, rallies possible.

United States: 6th anniversary of the death of George Floyd, killed by a police officer at the time of his arrest in Minneapolis (2020) – Mass national rallies likely, specifically led by the Black Lives Matter movement.

27 May

Colombia: anniversary of the creation of former rebellion, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) (1964) – Increased risk of attacks by dissident FARC organisations, security reinforcements should be expected.

31 May

Colombia: first round of the presidential elections.

United States: Memorial Day – Commemorations to be expected.

Asia - Pacific



29 April to 6 May

Japan: disruption to be expected for Golden Week, including four separate public holidays – Many businesses and non-essential services will be closed. An increase in population movements and disruption should be expected.

30 April to 4 May

Vietnam: Reunification Day and Labour Day – Disruption affecting transport and businesses should be expected.

1 May

Asia: Vesak Day, celebrating the birth of Buddha – Commemorations likely.

India: Maharashtra Day celebrated in Mumbai – Demonstration by rail workers in New Delhi.

Indonesia: anniversary of the “attachment” of Western New Guinea to Indonesia (1963) – Rallies likely, violence possible.

Kazakhstan: Kazakhstan People's Unity Day.

Marshall Islands: Constitution Day (1979).

2 May

Pakistan/World: 15th anniversary of the death of Osama bin Laden (2011).

3 May

Japan: Constitution Memorial Day (1947) – Commemorations possible.

4–5 May

Australia: visit by Japanese Prime Minister Sanai Takaichi.

Singapore: visit by New Zealand Prime Minister Christopher Luxon to meet Prime Minister Wong.

Sri Lanka: visit by Maldives President Mohamed Muizzu.

4–8 May

Philippines: joint US-Philippine Balikatan military exercises, also involving Japan.

4 May

China: commemoration of the Chinese student uprising against Japan (1919).

Indonesia: visit by Japanese Defence Minister Shinjiro Koizumi “to strengthen bilateral defence cooperation”.

5–7 May

India: state visit by Vietnamese President To Lam.

5 May

Australia: 24-hour strike and demonstration by council workers across Greater Melbourne - Disruption to local services should be expected.

6–12 May

India: BJP rallies in Jharkhand – Increased security, tension should not be ruled out.

6 May

Australia: demonstration against a bill associated with land claims in Sydney – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

India : restaurants and hotels across Kerala to go on strike in protest against liquefied petroleum gas prices – Business disruption likely.

Pakistan: protests across Balochistan organised by the Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam Fazl (JUI-F) political party – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected, including a risk of clashes.

7 May

Australia: demonstration in Sydney in protest against US policy in the Middle East – Increased security and disruption to be expected.

India: political activists to demonstrate across Tamil Nadu in protest against increased commercial fuel prices – Increased security and disruption to be expected.

India : activists affiliated with the Bara Political Alliance plan to stage a sit-in protest in Peshawar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa – Increased security and disruption to be expected

8-9 May

Philippines: 48th Summit of ASEAN Leaders in Cebu – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

8 May

Pakistan: 24th anniversary of the bomb attack in Karachi (15 dead, including 11 French employees of the *Direction des Constructions Navales*).

11 May

Thailand: Former Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra to be released from prison – Celebrations should be expected among his “Red Shirt” supporters.

12 May

China: anniversary of the Sichuan earthquake, which claimed the lives of more than 87,000 people (2008) – Commemorations likely.

13 May

China: 34th anniversary of the creation of the Falun Gong cult (1992) – Demonstrations and clashes possible with the police.

Indonesia: 8th anniversary of the Surabaya bombings (2018) – Commemorations likely.

14–15 May

China: Donald Trump to travel to Beijing to meet Chinese President Xi Jinping.

India: BRICS foreign ministers’ meeting, also attended by Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov.

14 May

Cambodia: birthday of King Norodom Sihamoni.

15 May

Japan: 54th anniversary of the reversion of Okinawa from the US to Japan.

16 May

China: 60th anniversary of the official start of the Cultural Revolution (1966).

18 May

Hong Kong (SAR): resumption of the trial of the organisers of the Tiananmen vigil on charges of endangering national security.

India: 52nd anniversary of the first nuclear test - Commemorations to be expected.

19 May

Sri Lanka: Remembrance Day commemorating soldiers who died in fighting – Ceremonies likely.

Thailand: 16th anniversary of the final assault launched by the police on the “Red Shirts” in Bangkok (2010).

20 May

Cambodia : National Day of Remembrance commemorating the victims and suffering of the Khmer Rouge regime (1975-1979).

Indonesia: National Awakening Day – Security reinforcements should be expected.

Timor Leste: Restoration of Independence Day (2002) – – Commemorations likely.

22 May

Thailand: 12th anniversary of the military coup (2014) – Pro-democracy demonstrations should be expected.

26–29 May

Japan: state visit by Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos.

Europe



1 May

France: workers' demonstrations in Paris for May Day – Increased security and disruption expected.

Italy: national strike – Increased security and disruption should be expected, risk of demonstrations.

Spain: national demonstrations on the occasion of May Day – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

2 May

France : non-political, multi-sector, peaceful national demonstration against rising fuel prices in Paris – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

Hungary: anniversary of the start of the breakup of the “Iron curtain” between Hungary and Austria (1989).

Ireland: protest against gender-based violence in Dublin – Increased security and large turnout expected.

Netherlands: protest against asylum seeker centres in Utrecht – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected.

Ukraine & Russia: 12th anniversary of the Odessa massacre (2014) – Commemorations likely.

United Kingdom: commemorative rally at the Ukrainian Embassy in London – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

3 May

France: anti-racism rally staged by La France Insoumise in Paris – Increased security, tension should not be ruled out.

Germany: main ceremony for the 81st anniversary of the liberation of the Dachau and Ravensbrück concentration camps.

Poland: Constitution Day (1791) – Commemorations likely.

Serbia: 3rd anniversary of the Ribnikar school shooting in Belgrade – Commemorations likely.

Spain: 8th anniversary of the dissolution of the ETA (2018).

United Kingdom: demonstrations in support of the Kurdish people at the Iranian Embassy in London – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

United Kingdom: pro-Palestinian workers' march in Manchester.

4 to 5 May

Armenia: first EU-Armenia Summit in Yerevan – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected.

4 May

Latvia : Independence Day (1990) – Ceremonies likely.

Serbia: 3rd anniversary of the mass shooting near Mladenovac (9 dead) – Commemorations should be expected.

United Kingdom: May Day march in Liverpool – Increased security and disruption to be expected.

5 May

Azerbaijan: visit by the head of the Italian government, Giorgia Meloni.

Czech Republic: demonstration against alleged government corruption – Increased security and tension should be expected.

Italy: demonstrations by taxi drivers in Bari, Naples and Rome – Disruption affecting taxi services should be expected.

Netherlands: Liberation Day, marking the end of Nazi Occupation – Festivities and gatherings should be expected, disruption possible.

Romania: vote of no confidence against the head of government following the collapse of the coalition – Risk of demonstrations.

6 May

Italy: 50th anniversary of a devastating earthquake in the Friuli region, in which over a thousand people lost their lives – Commemorations should be expected..

Russia: anniversary of the Bolotnaya Square riots (2012) – Commemorations possible.

7 May

United Kingdom: local elections, including in all London boroughs, as well as the Scottish Parliament elections and the Welsh Senedd elections – Localised disruption to be expected, demonstrations should not be ruled out.

United Kingdom: demonstration in support of Palestine and against Barclays Bank during the company's annual general meeting in London – Increased security and tension should be expected.

Uzbekistan: migration agreement to be signed with Austria.

8 to 31 May

Italy: Giro d'Italia 2026 — Localised disruption should be expected along the route.

8 May

Germany: students call for a strike against compulsory military service – Demonstrations expected.

France: demonstrations in Saint-Nazaire against the construction of aircraft carriers at a shipyard near Nantes – Increased security and tensions should be expected.

France: commemorative rally in Strasbourg – Increased security and localised disruption should be expected, risk of tension.

Italy: Pope Leo XIV to visit Naples – Traffic and parking restrictions to be expected.

Spain: anti-immigration march in Madrid – Increased security, tension should not be ruled out.

United Kingdom: 19th anniversary of the creation of a power-sharing government in Northern Ireland, bringing together Catholic separatists and Protestant unionists – Rallies possible.

9 May

Germany: Germany: pro-Palestinian demonstration in Stuttgart in the run up to Nakba Day – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

Germany: rally in support of Iranian mothers in Hamburg – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

Hungary: Peter Magyar is set to be sworn in as the new prime minister.

Russia and former USSR countries: Victory Day, marking the anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe (1945) – Commemorations likely, including a military parade in Moscow, but on a smaller scale this year with no military equipment.

United Kingdom: rally in support of Imran Khan in London, and calling for the abolition of the monarchy in London and Edinburgh – Increased security and localised disruption to be expected.

Ukraine: ceasefire proposed by Vladimir Putin to mark the anniversary of Nazi Germany's surrender.

12 to 13 May

Portugal : annual pilgrimage to the Catholic shrine of Fatima – Gatherings should be expected.

12 to 17 May

Russia: International Economic Forum "Russia – Islamic World: KazanForum"

12 to 23 May

France: 79th Cannes Film Festival – Localised disruption expected.

12 May

Belgium: national strike led by trade unions against the government's pension cuts – increased security and demonstrations should be expected.

France: protests against the rise in university fees for international students – Increased security and disruption expected.

14 May

Poland: 71st anniversary of the Warsaw Pact, a military alliance signed between Soviet countries in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.

15 May

Austria: "Song-protest" concert against Israel's participation in the Eurovision Song Contest – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

Spain: 15th anniversary of the creation of the "indignant" protest movement (2011) – Mass demonstrations possible.

16 May

Austria: demonstration against Israel's participation in the Eurovision Song Contest – Increased security and tension should be expected.

Belgium: Brussels Pride march by the LGBTQ+ community – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

17 May

Ireland: 52nd anniversary of the Dublin and Monaghan bombings – Commemorations to be expected.

Norway: Constitution Day (1814) – Celebrations likely.

Spain: regional elections in Andalusia, the country's most populous region.

18 May

Russia/Ukraine: anniversary of the deportation of Crimean Tatars (1944) – Commemorations and security reinforcements to be expected.

19 to 20 May

United Kingdom: conference on global challenges organised jointly with South Africa in London.

22 May

United Kingdom: 9th anniversary of the Manchester Arena suicide bombing, claimed by the Islamic State (IS) group (22 dead and more than 500 people injured, 2017) – Commemorations should be expected..

Ireland: by-elections in Galway West and Dublin Central.

23 May to 5 June

United Kingdom: "National Rejoin March" from London to Brussels in protest against Brexit.

24 May

Belgium: 12th anniversary of the shooting at the Jewish Museum of Belgium (2014) – Commemorations likely.

Cyprus : legislative elections.

Poland: referendum on the dismissal of the mayor of Krakow, an electoral test for Donald Tusk's coalition.

26 to 29 May

Russia: international security forum organised under the aegis of the Security Council of the Russian Federation.

27 May

Bosnia–Herzegovina: 31st anniversary of the Battle of Vrbanja Bridge in Sarajevo, considered a turning point in the Bosnian War – Commemorations and gatherings should be expected.

Russia: 28th anniversary of the NATO-Russia Founding Act.

Serbia: 27th anniversary of the charges brought against Milosevic by the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia – Rallies possible.

28–29 May

Kazakhstan: Eurasian Economic Union Forum, attended by Russian President Vladimir Putin.

28 May

Azerbaijan: Republic Day (1918) – Celebrations likely.

30 May

Malta: early legislative elections.

Portugal: conference on "re-migration" organised by European far-right groups – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

Middle East-North Africa



30 April to 6 May

Tunisia: annual pilgrimage to the Ghriba Synagogue.

1 May

Morocco : national demonstrations against the high cost of living – Increased security and disruption expected.

Tunisia: UGTT demonstration in Tunis – Increased security and disruption should be expected.

Türkiye: DEM party demonstration on Taksim Square in Istanbul – Increased security and tensions expected.

2 May

Israel: anti-government demonstrations in Jerusalem, Haifa and Tel Aviv, in demand of free and fair democratic elections – Increased security and disruption should be expected, clashes should not be ruled out.

4 to 5 May

Israel: celebrations should be expected on the occasion of the Jewish festival of Lag BaOmer, particularly at Mount Meron – Security reinforcements expected, incidents should not be ruled out.

4 May

Israel/Palestine: 32nd anniversary of the Agreement on the Gaza Strip and the Jericho Area (West Bank) signed in Cairo (1994).

Türkiye: new hearing in the case of the LeMan cartoonist on trial over a caricature of the Prophet – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

5–6 May

Morocco: strike action by Moroccan road hauliers in protest against difficulties in obtaining Schengen visas – Demonstrations should not be ruled out.

6 May

Lebanon and Syria: Martyrs' Day commemorating the execution of nationalist militants by the Ottoman Empire (1916) – Demonstrations possible.

Morocco: national sit-ins and demonstrations organised by primary school teachers – Increased security and disruption to be expected.

8 May

Algeria: National Remembrance Day, commemorating the victims of the massacres of 8 May 1945.

10 May

Israel/Palestine: 5th anniversary of the start of the last war between Israel and Hamas (2021), followed by a ceasefire on the 21st – Risk of growing tension.

11 May

Morocco: trial of a female activist from the GenZ 212 collective charged with inciting others to commit crimes or offences online – Demonstrations possible.

13 May

Türkiye: commemorations of the Soma mine disaster (2014).

14–16 May

Palestinian Territories: 8th Fatah Conference, election of a new executive committee.

14 May

Israel/Palestine: 78th anniversary of the proclamation of the State of Israel by David Ben Gurion (1948) and the 8th anniversary of the transfer of the US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, recognised by Washington has the capital of the Jewish State (2018) – Demonstrations and tension should be expected.

15 May

Israel/Palestine and Muslim World: Nakba Day (“catastrophe”) marking the exodus of the Palestinians (1948) – The day sometimes sees violent demonstrations at Israeli borders and checkpoints.

22 May

Yemen: Unity Day

24 to 29 May

Saudi Arabia: Hajj pilgrimage to Mecca and Eid al-Adha 27 May – Travel disruption and increased security to be expected.

25 May

Jordan: Independence Day (1946).

28 May

Israel/Palestine: anniversary of the creation of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) (1964) – Anti-Israel rallies in the occupied territories should not be ruled out.

Türkiye: anniversary of the start of the 2013 protest movement against Recep Tayyip Erdogan – Rallies should not be ruled out.

30 May

Israel : 54th anniversary of the Lod Airport attack (26 dead, 1972) –Commemorations should be expected.

World



1 May

World: International Workers' Day – Demonstrations likely across the world.

2 May

Pakistan/World: 15th anniversary of the death of Osama bin Laden (2011).

3 May

World: World Press Freedom Day – Risk of demonstrations.

8 May

World: Victory in Europe Day, marking the 81st anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe (1945) – Commemorations should be expected in several cities.

17 May

World: International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia – Rallies in support of the LGBTQ+ community likely in several countries.

Your international security partner

01

Information

*Alerts 24/7 & Country Profiles
Political and security risk monitoring
Customised analysis*

02

Operations

*24/7 Security Operations Centre
Assistance in high-risk areas
Crisis management support*

03

Technology

*Tracking
Mobile app
SOS & Safety Check*

04

Training

*E-learning
Courses prior to travel
Crisis management drills*

05

Consultancy

*Business intelligence
Travel safety audit
Security risk management
ISO 31030*



SCUTUM
SECURITY FIRST