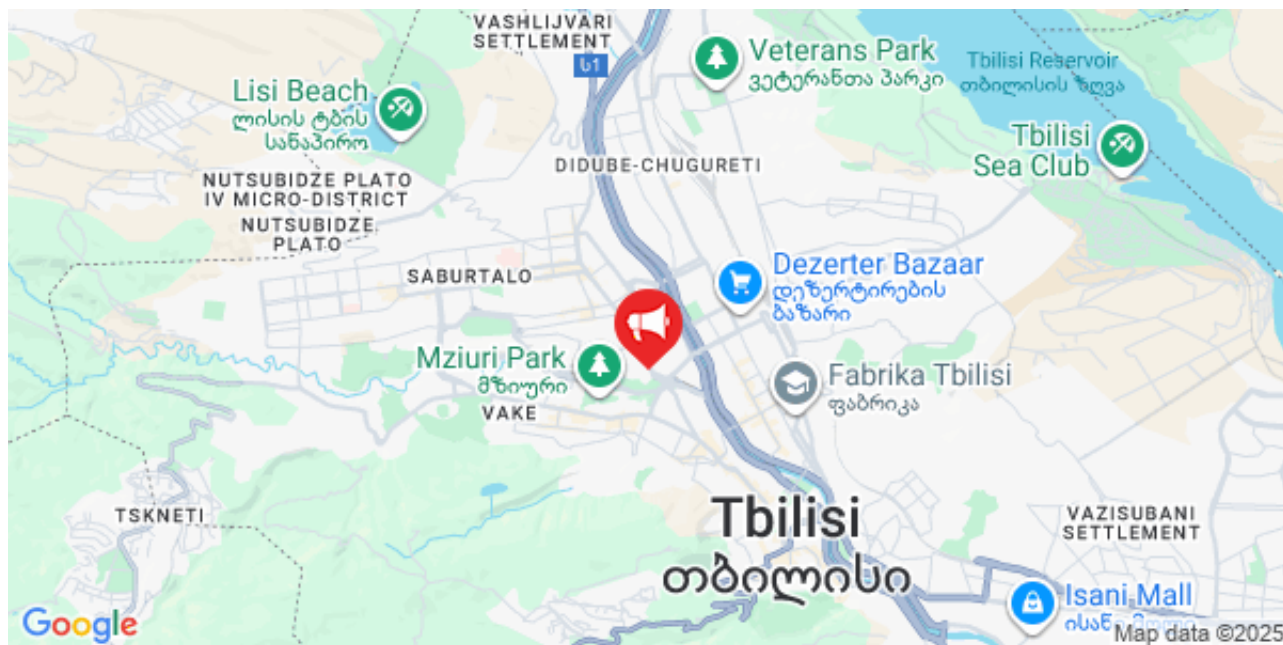


Protest

**13**SEP
5:22 UTC

Georgia Tactical: Multiple anti-GD protests slated in Tbilisi from 19:00 (local time) on September 13; avoid vicinity of rallies

Current Situation:

- Multiple anti-government protests are scheduled to take place in Tbilisi on September 13, marking 290 consecutive days of demonstrations.
- A protest rally will begin from Tbilisi State University (TSU) at 19:00 (local time), with protesters marching to the Parliament and arriving there by 20:00 on September 13.
- Additional demonstrations are planned outside the Public Broadcaster building at 19:00 on the day.
- The gatherings will be held to condemn the ruling Georgian Dream (GD) party's perceived anti-EU policies, including the November 2024 decision to suspend negotiations with the EU until 2028 and the police's alleged excessive use of force against anti-government demonstrators.



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Assessments & Forecast:

1. The turnout at the scheduled protests will likely range between the low-to-mid hundreds, based on precedent. The authorities are liable to bolster security in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations to monitor proceedings, as a precaution. Security measures will likely include the deployment of riot police and the setting up of barricades to restrict protesters from approaching government buildings.
2. Given the anti-government nature of these protests coupled with the low tolerance of the authorities for such gatherings, there remains a high likelihood of confrontations between the protesters and the security forces at the slated gatherings. The authorities will resort to forceful crowd control measures like baton charges in case the protesters engage in perceived unruly behavior. The use of water cannons, tear gas, and detention of participants is anticipated in the event of extreme unrest. The potential use of pyrotechnics by protesters in response to perceived excessive police actions could further escalate tensions at the slated gatherings. Significant disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular travel are expected in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the high turnout and associated security measures on September 13.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Tbilisi on September 13 are advised to avoid the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the slated protests and associated high risk of unrest while allotting for travel disruptions.