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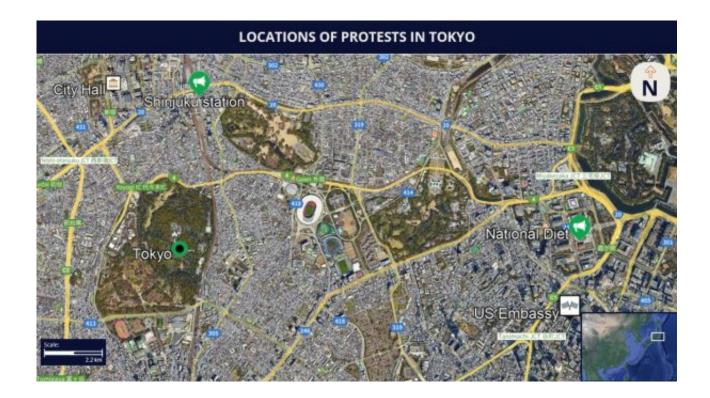


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Japan Tactical: Anti-war protests slated outside National Diet, Shinjuku Station in Tokyo on January 3-4; allot for disruptions

Current Situation:

- Anti-war activists announced a protest in front of the National Diet Building in Tokyo at 13:00 (local time) on January 3.
- The protest will be held to denounce the government's plan to amend Article 9, also known as the "anti-war clause," of the Japanese constitution.
- Additionally, a protest is slated outside Shinjuku Station's South Exit in Tokyo from 11:00 to 12:00 on January 4.
- The protest seeks to denounce the presence of US military bases in Japan and encourages the government to consider repurposing the Okinawa base for civilian use.



Source: Mkimpo, Mkimpo

Assessments & Forecast:

The anticipated turnout in both protests is liable to reach the low-to-mid dozens, based on the resonance of the issue and the group's mobilization capabilities. As part of the standard security protocol, the authorities are liable to bolster the security measures in the form of police deployment and setting up of barricades to monitor the crowd in the vicinity of the protest locations. Both gatherings are likely to transpire peacefully, based on precedent. Localized disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular traffic are anticipated in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the expected turnout and related security measures during the protest hours on January 3-4.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Tokyo on January 3-4 are advised to allot for disruptions in the vicinity of aforementioned locations due to the slated protests and associated security measures.