

Protest

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Philippines Tactical: Teachers coalition to stage protest march from UST to Mendiola Street in Metro Manila from 13:00-14:00 (local time) on October 3; maintain vigilance

Current Situation:

- Members of the Congress of Teachers and Educators for Nationalism and Democracy group are scheduled to hold a protest march from the University of Santo Tomas (UST) to Mendiola Street at 13:00-14:00 (local time) on October 3.
- The protest will be held to demand higher salaries and improved working conditions for teachers across the country.



Source: [Facebook](#)

Assessments & Forecast:

1. Participation at the slated protest march is likely to range in the high dozens to low hundreds, considering the traction garnered by the post on social media, coupled with the group's mobilizing capabilities. As per standard security protocol, the authorities are liable to bolster the security measures in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations and along the march route by deploying police personnel and installing barricades.
2. There remains a latent risk of localized scuffles between the police and protesters, should they resort to actions such as blocking major roads or breaching barricades. The police will likely respond with crowd control measures, such as temporary detention and forced removal from the location, to quell the action. The authorities are less likely to use heavy-handed measures such as water cannons, given the sensitivity surrounding the issue. Travel disruptions are anticipated in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations and along the march route due to the slated turnout and security measures on October 3.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Metro Manila on October 3 are advised to maintain vigilance in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations and along the march route due to the slated protest and associated risk of scuffles, while allotting for travel disruptions.