

Protest



24 DEC 3:28 UTC Taiwan Tactical: Anti-judicial reform activists to hold protest march from Legislative Yuan in Taipei at 13:00 (local time) on December 25; maintain vigilance

Current Situation:

- The Taiwan Survival Revolution Research Association, in collaboration with the Judicial Reforms Party, will stage a protest march from the Legislative Yuan to the Presidential Office building from 13:00-16:00 (local time) on December 25.
- The demonstration aims to express opposition to the recent enactment of three contentious legislative amendments, which are alleged to undermine democratic institutions, including the Constitutional Court.



Source: Facebook

Assessments & Forecast:

- 1. The turnout at the slated protest march is likely to range between the mid-to-high hundreds, given the resonance of the issue and participation observed during a similar protest on December 20. Participation may increase if other like-minded organizations or political parties, such as the ruling Democratic Progressive Party (DPP), join the event. The authorities will heighten security measures in the vicinity of the protest locations as part of the standard security protocol, given the sensitivity of the locations. The deployment of police personnel and setting up of barricades are likely to monitor the proceedings and minimize travel disruptions.
- 2. FORECAST: The possibility of localized confrontations between the police and the protesters, especially if demonstrators engage in activities deemed disruptive, such as obstructing major thoroughfares or violating security protocols, as witnessed on December 20. The authorities are likely to use crowd control measures such as baton charges or temporal detention. Localized travel disruptions are to be expected in the vicinity of the protest locations due to the anticipated turnout and the associated security measures during the protest hours on December 25.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Taipei on December 25 are advised to maintain vigilance in the vicinity of the Legislative Yuan and the Presidential Office due to the slated protest march and associated risk of localized confrontations while allotting for travel disruptions.