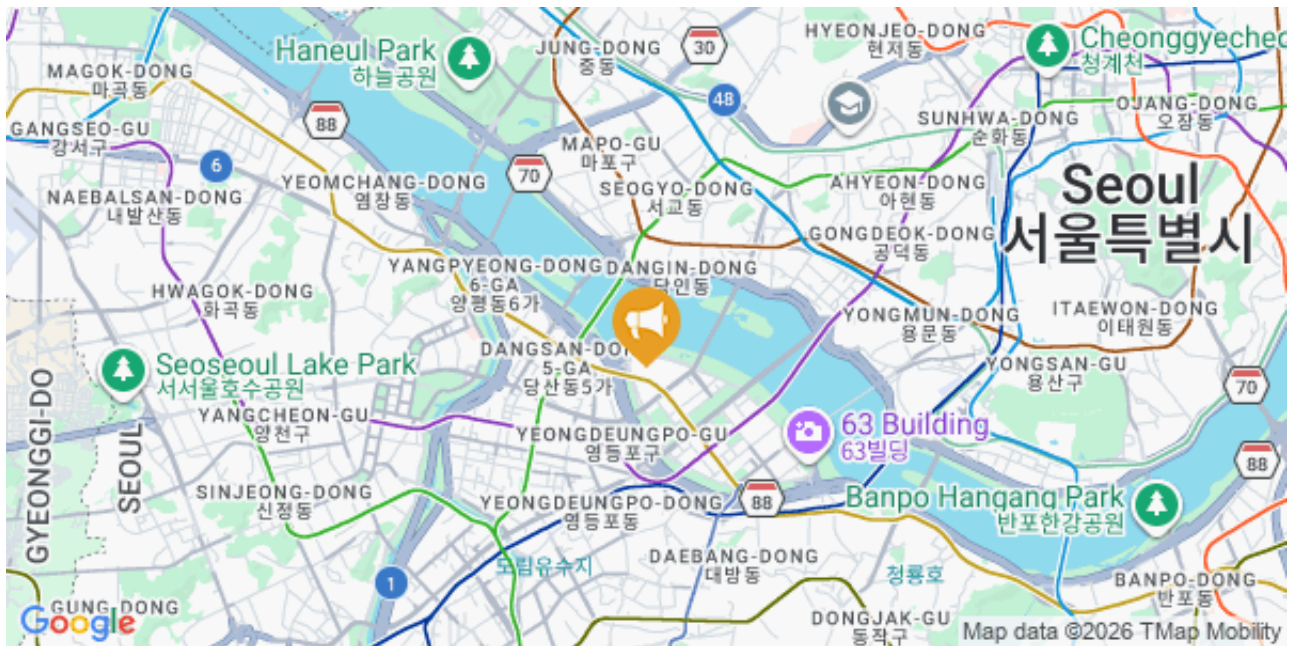




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South Korea Tactical: Labor groups to protest outside National Assembly in Seoul at 14:00 (local time) on March 17; maintain vigilance

Current Situation:

- Members of the Joint Committee of the Two Major Labor Unions, involving the Korean Confederation of Trade Unions and the Federation of Korean Trade Unions, will protest outside the National Assembly at 14:00 (local time) on March 17.
- The participants will demand formal labor-government negotiations over planned public-sector restructuring and oppose alleged unilateral reforms.



Source: [X/Twitter](#)

Assessments & Forecast:

1. The participation in the slated protest is expected to range between the mid-to-high hundreds, given the extensive mobilization capabilities of the organizing unions. The turnout is likely to be further bolstered in case additional labor groups decide to lend support. Anticipating this, the authorities are expected to enhance security measures in the vicinity of the National Assembly in accordance with standard security protocols and given the sensitive nature of the location. These measures will likely include the deployment of additional police personnel and the installation of barricades to manage the proceedings.
2. There remains a latent and localized risk of scuffles between protesters and the police, particularly if demonstrators engage in disruptive actions such as blocking major thoroughfares. In such cases, the authorities will likely employ forcible dispersal measures, including temporary detentions to prevent unrest. Localized disruptions to pedestrian and vehicular traffic are anticipated in the vicinity of the National Assembly during protest hours on March 17.

Recommendations:

Those operating or residing in Seoul on March 17 are advised to maintain vigilance in the vicinity of the National Assembly due to the slated protest and associated latent risk of scuffles while allotting for travel disruptions.