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## Argentina Tactical: ATE workers' union members to hold three separate protests in Buenos Aires on March 5; allot for disruptions

### Current Situation

- The Asociación Trabajadores del Estado (ATE) public workers' union will hold three separate protests in Buenos Aires on March 5. Details and timings of the upcoming demonstrations are as follows:

A protest is slated at the Instituto Social Militar Dr. Damaso Centeno on Avenida Rivadavia 5550 at 09:30 (local time).

A second protest is scheduled at the Secretaría de Vivienda (Housing Secretariat) on Esmeralda

255 at 10:00.

A third protest is slated at the Ministerio de Desarrollo Social on Avenida 9 de Julio 1925 at 11:00.

- The protests have been organized to denounce President Javier Milei's austerity measures and ministerial restructuring efforts, which resulted in the layoffs of more than 2,800 government employees after their contracts expired on February 28.



Source: [Asociacion Trabajadores del Estado](#)

## Assessments & Forecast

1. President Milei's austerity measures aim to reduce government spending and restructure the public sector by cutting more than 70,000 government jobs across various entities. These actions have drawn significant criticism from multiple labor unions, including ATE, which organized

protests over this issue on February 20 and 27. These protests saw turnouts in the mid-to-high hundreds each and transpired without notable incidents of unrest.

**2. FORECAST:** Based on this precedent and ATE's mobilizing capabilities, the upcoming protests are likely to see turnouts in the mid-to-high hundreds each. Additionally, the precedent of the aforementioned ATE-led protests suggests that the upcoming demonstrations will likely transpire largely peacefully, without significant instances of unrest. Nevertheless, a security presence is anticipated in the vicinity of the protest locations to monitor proceedings. Consequently, there is potential for localized disruptions to vehicular and pedestrian traffic near the protests.

## Recommendations

Those operating or residing in Buenos Aires on March 5 are advised to allot for disruptions to vehicular and pedestrian traffic in the vicinity of the aforementioned locations due to the slated protests.