

Consular Warden Message - February 5, 2007
U.S. Embassy Dakar

The U.S. Embassy in Dakar is issuing this Warden Message to inform American citizens that the U.S. Embassy in Nigeria released the following message on February 1, 2007:

The Government of Nigeria has confirmed the first case in Nigeria of a human infected with the H5NI (Avian Flu) virus. The victim died on January 17, 2007, according to a statement from the Nigerian Information Minister. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are working with the Nigerian government to further investigate the extent of the outbreak.

For information on Avian Influenza and Pandemic Flu preparedness, see www.cdc.gov, www.who.int, and www.pandemicflu.gov. For additional information on avian influenza as it affects American citizens residing abroad, see the U.S. Department of State's [Avian Influenza Fact Sheet](#).

Due to general security concerns in Nigeria, as well as worldwide Avian Flu preparedness, the consulate advises American citizens in Nigeria to maintain at least two and up to twelve weeks' supply of water, non-perishable food, and medicines, and to have themselves and their families receive flu vaccinations from their health care providers. See the Department of State's flyer "[How to Prepare for 'Shelter in Place'](#)".

Other Information:

Americans living or traveling in Senegal are encouraged to register with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate through the State Department's travel registration website, <https://travelregistration.state.gov>, and to obtain updated information on travel and security within Senegal. Americans without Internet access may register directly with the nearest U.S. Embassy or Consulate. By registering, American citizens make it easier for the Embassy or Consulate to contact them in case of emergency. The U.S. Embassy is located at Avenue Jean XXIII, Dakar; the mailing address is B.P. 49, Dakar, Senegal. The telephone number is (221) 823-4296; after-hours (221) 823-4604. The U.S. [Embassy website](http://usembassy.state.gov/dakar) is <http://usembassy.state.gov/dakar>.