

OPR: 8A G2X

## Eighth Army G2X COUNTERINTELLIGENCE ADVISORY as of 5 May 2017



## **ROK Presidential Election and General Awareness**

The Republic of Korea will hold a new election to replace impeached former President Park Geun-hye in five days, on 09 May 2017

8A G2X urges U.S. personnel and families to remain vigilant and aware of their surroundings. Tensions and demonstrations in the ROK may escalate due to rising anti-U.S./THAAD sentiment resulting from the deployment of THAAD to the ROK, a sensitive and controversial ROK political campaign issue.

U.S. Persons are reminded to avoid political gatherings. Make no statements about the Korean election and refer any questions to the USFK Public Affairs Office (PAO) at 050-333-4688.

Demonstrations and political rallies will occur at locations throughout Seoul, in vicinity of the U.S. Embassy, Seoul Station, City Hall, U.S. Military Installations, as well as in other Korean cities, such as Seongju-ri Village.

The media will set up in Gwanghwamun Plaza in the vicinity of the US Embassy to start coverage for the vote tally around 1800 on 9 May.

Large peaceful political gatherings can turn confrontational and escalate into violence. Avoid these areas and exercise caution if in the vicinity of any large gatherings, political rallies, or demonstrations.

Review your personal security plans, remain aware of your surroundings, and monitor local news stations for updates.

Report local threats to local Law Enforcement or a Counterintelligence Special Agent.



If you see something, say something!

Report suspicious activity to: TARP 24/7 HOTLINE: 0503-323-3299

Or, report activity via your **Garrison smartphone app!** 

