

I called the Office of Overseas Citizen Services (in the State Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs) today to make sure that you'd be safe on your trip. The lady on the phone said everything is fine right now, and that as of July 7th, the travel warning issued on March 17th has been lifted. You might want to call them before you leave to make sure it is still safe. The number is (888)407-4747. I'm sure you will be fine. The real reason I am writing is that I have one request for you while you are gone. Before landing at Tolagnaro Airport and while you are still in the air, will you take a photograph of the sea for me from the airplane window? I am trying to imagine what this would look like. It is in this direction that your true destination lies. Be safe and veloma! That's goodbye in Malagasy.