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SOC Daily Executive Intelligence Brief

Daily Situational Awareness for Executive Travel, Protective Operations, and Corporate Risk Management

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EXECUTIVE RISK DASHBOARD

CATEGORY	STATUS	EXECUTIVE IMPACT
Overall Executive Travel Risk	ELEVATED	Nationwide FAA outage recovery, downtown bridge lifts and localized crowds create material scheduling exposure.
Demonstration / Public Order	MODERATE	Organizer-listed Federal Plaza rally; size, start-time zone and marching route are not independently confirmed.
Weather	LOW	Sunny, cold and generally dry: high near 46 F; early morning wind chill may reduce curbside comfort.
Ground Transportation	MODERATE	9:00 a.m. river bridge lifts; Fairbanks / Huron lane closures; O'Hare Blue Line shuttle substitution.
Air Travel / ORD & MDW	HIGH	Friday FAA nationwide ground stop was lifted; delays, cancellations and aircraft/crew recovery remain possible.
Protective Intelligence	MODERATE	Public-order and opportunistic-crime awareness required; no independently verified executive-specific threat.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Executive travel risk is **ELEVATED operationally, not from a targeted threat**. Friday's Nov. 13 nationwide FAA ground stop has ended, but airline recovery could affect both ORD and MDW on Saturday. Chicago River bridge lifts start 9:00 a.m.; Northwestern Medicine's Streeterville roadwork affects Fairbanks Court and Huron Street. An organizer-listed midday Federal Plaza rally and major venue events create localized curbside friction. No new overnight downtown major violent incident was independently corroborated by this review; absence of a report does not mean none occurred. [1-10,13-15]

PRIORITY TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY

AVIATION PRIORITY: FAA confirmed a nationwide communications-related ground stop on Nov. 13; it was lifted Friday evening. Published Friday airport delay snapshots are NOT current Saturday conditions. Confirm each flight with the carrier plus FAA and FlyChicago before leaving the hotel or staging lot. [1-3,18]

WEATHER & OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS

07:00: about **34-35 F**, mostly sunny. Saturday: **46 F high**, mostly sunny, northwest wind 5-10 mph; overnight near 32 F. Sunday: near 50 F and mostly sunny. [4]

Posture: low weather disruption; manage early-morning cold exposure at exposed loading areas and bridge approaches.

ORD / MDW AIRPORT ACCESS

Both airports were affected by Friday's national air traffic disruption. **Recovery exposure is HIGH** even if an airport currently has no active ground stop. Airport-specific delay and cancellation figures could not be independently established for publication time.

Action: validate flight number, aircraft status, terminal, pickup/curb location and contingency transport before dispatch. [1-3,18]

GROUND TRANSPORTATION & DOWNTOWN ACCESS

CORRIDOR / AREA	VERIFIED / PLANNED CONDITION & EXECUTIVE IMPACT
Chicago River bridges / Loop	**SCHEDULED 9:00 a.m.:** fall boat-run bridge lifts from DuSable Lake Shore Drive westward toward 18th Street. Sequential temporary traffic stops; each bridge usually 8-12 minutes. [7]
Streeterville / Fairbanks	**CONFIRMED:** Fairbanks Court closed Huron to Superior, Nov. 13, 7 p.m. to Nov. 16, 5 a.m.; northbound Erie-Huron lane restricted. One westbound Huron lane closed today 5 a.m.-7 p.m. [6]
CTA to O'Hare	**CTA-POSTED:** shuttle buses replace Blue Line trains Jefferson Park-Harlem (O'Hare branch), Nov. 13 10 p.m. through Monday Nov. 16 4 a.m. [5]
Loop / State-Lake station	**ONGOING:** elevated CTA State/Lake station closure for reconstruction; use Clark/Lake or Washington/Wabash. Validate curb approaches and live bus detours. [5]
I-90 / I-290 / I-55	**MONITOR:** no specific live expressway incident duration verified in this review. Confirm Kennedy, Eisenhower and Stevenson travel times at dispatch; airport flight recovery may compound terminal congestion. [16]
South Side / Sunday	**PLANNED Nov. 15:** Back of the Yards 5K permit is reported to affect Ashland, 47th, Racine and nearby streets. Hours unconfirmed from independent source; check city event permit/closures. [16,17]

ROUTE RECONFIRMATION

Before every movement: validate live Google/Waze routing, ChiStreetWork/IDOT, CTA service alerts and any police/bridge controls. Keep at least two viable river crossings, an alternate Streeterville hotel curb and a backup airport pickup site. [5-7,16]

DOWNTOWN PROTEST / LABOR ACTIVITY

TIME / STATUS	LOCATION	REPORTING / EXECUTIVE IMPACT
Today / time disputed	Federal Plaza, Dearborn St.	**ORGANIZER-LISTED:** "March For An AI Treaty" planned for Nov. 14. Page lists 12:00 p.m. but also "noon ET" (11 a.m. CST). No verified crowd size, route or police closure. Reconfirm on site. [8]
Labor / concluded	Parking garages / airports	**VERIFIED RESOLVED:** Teamsters Local 727 parking workers ratified a contract Nov. 7; strike ended. No active strike-related citywide parking disruption was independently verified today. [12]
Labor / watch	Downtown hotels / civic sites	**NO CURRENT PICKET VERIFIED:** Hotel labor talks / ad hoc assemblies can affect individual properties. No new specific time/location established in reviewed sources; treat social claims as unverified.

MAJOR EVENTS / CROWD DRIVERS

SCHEDULE	VENUE / AREA	EXPECTED MOVEMENT EFFECT
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	River crossings; Cultural Center	**Bridge lifts** from 9 a.m.; **City Civics Day**, 78 E Washington, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m. [7,11]
2:30 p.m.	United Center / Near West	**Blackhawks vs. Winnipeg Jets**. Doors 1 p.m.; allow for Madison/Ashland crowd and curb pressure. [9]
7 p.m.	Wintrust Arena / Near South	**Ali Siddiq comedy performance** at 200 E Cermak; expect localized post-event traffic. [10]

Operational note: peaceful assembly is not itself a threat. Avoid unnecessary travel through concentrated crowds and use geographically separate controlled pickup points.

CHICAGO CRIME TRENDS - EXECUTIVE RELEVANCE

TREND / LOCATION	CURRENT INDICATOR	PROTECTIVE INTERPRETATION
Overnight, Nov. 13-14	**NOT CORROBORATED**	Searches of accessible major local outlets did not independently verify a new major overnight violent incident in the principal downtown monitored zones. **Not a zero-incident claim.**
Fulton Market / Nov. 7-8	**CHARGES ANNOUNCED Nov. 10**	CPD-linked reporting describes three women pistol-whipped/robbed Oct. 27-Nov. 8, including W Fulton Market and N Elizabeth. Suspect charged; cases pending. Relevant to daylight pedestrian movements. [13]
Near North CTA / Nov. 11	**CPD ALERT NOV. 13**	Police seek man accused of striking rider with chair on Red Line near North/Clybourn at approx. 3:45 p.m. Wednesday. Heightened transit situational awareness. [14]
Loop / Oct. 10 incident	**CHARGES REPORTED NOV. 12**	Two people charged in reported group robbery of four visitors after leaving a South State Street business. Old incident, new court development; not a Nov. 14 overnight event. [15]
Citizen / social reports	**UNCONFIRMED; NOT COUNTED**	No specific Citizen.com, scanner or social-media incident was independently authenticated for this reporting period. Do not escalate rumors without police/credible-media corroboration.

PROTECTIVE INTELLIGENCE STAFF ASSESSMENT

ASSESSMENT

Executive-travel risk is **ELEVATED** due to nationwide air-system recovery and localized downtown access friction, not an identified hostile actor or executive-directed threat. Key friction windows: Chicago River bridge lifts after 9 a.m., Federal Plaza late morning / midday, the United Center afternoon and Streeterville road closures. The FAA disruption is the highest-priority variable and can require changes to pickup timing, hotel extensions and principal routing.

1 | Airports first: Verify ORD/MDW airline, aircraft, crew, connection and baggage status before vehicle dispatch; standby for cascading schedule changes.
2 | Controlled movements: Use verified river crossings and alternate Streeterville curbs; stage principals indoors until vehicle and access are confirmed.
3 | Public order: Recheck Federal Plaza activity and police barricades before noon; maintain neutral, non-confrontational movement protocols.
4 | Crime precautions: Reduce exposed sidewalk dwell, keep phones/credentials out of view and use controlled parking and arrival points.

24-72 HOUR OUTLOOK

Next 24 hours (Sat-Sun): FAA flight recovery and Blue Line substitution continue through the weekend; Saturday event egress and Fairbanks closure remain localized issues. **24-48 hours (Sun-Mon):** Back of the Yards 5K road impacts Sunday (hours to verify); NWS near 50 F and mostly sunny. **48-72 hours (Mon-Tue):** CTA shuttle scheduled to end Mon 4 a.m.; Fairbanks closure ends 5 a.m.; forecast sunny in low 50s. Monitor whether FAA recovery and planned transit work meet schedules. [4-6,16]

SOURCE & RELIABILITY NOTE

Verified: FAA, NWS, CTA, hospital/venue/city postings and dated news reports. **Organizer-listed:** protest plan, not independently observed crowd/route. **Unconfirmed:** social/dispatch rumors excluded. All timing is Central Standard Time unless noted; conditions can change rapidly. Sources below are clickable.

[1] FAA national ground-stop statement
[2] ABC7 / FAA outage and recovery
[3] FAA national airspace status
[4] NWS Chicago point forecast
[5] CTA Blue Line service alerts
[6] Northwestern campus street closures
[7] Chicago fall bridge-lift schedule
[8] Nov. 14 Federal Plaza rally listing
[9] Blackhawks / Jets official event
[10] Wintrust Arena event calendar
[11] City Civics Day - official
[12] Parking workers contract ratified
[13] CWB Fulton Market armed robbery cases
[14] CWB North/Clybourn Red Line assault
[15] CWB Loop group robbery charges
[16] City traffic / permits monitoring
[17] Chicagoland permit roundup - secondary
[18] FlyChicago airport delays