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Kevin Troutman was quoted in an article entitled “Crimean Crisis Highlights Employers’ Responsibility For Workers’ Safety Overseas,” published on Houston Public Media.

Houston is the headquarters for a large number of global companies. The downside is that it’s more exposed than most other major U.S. cities to dangers abroad, including political instability, according to the article.

When a company sends an employee overseas, it’s responsible for that worker’s safety. Kevin said one problem developing with regards to the ongoing crisis between Russia and Ukraine, is selective law enforcement.

"Sometimes they have a lot of very demanding requirements that they don’t necessarily enforce that tightly, but as a crisis starts to develop, one of the things that may happen is they may begin to enforce their laws and their requirements more tightly, and that may be to the detriment of expats who happen to be in their location or their country," he said.

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