



## Sonic Weapons

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The **Serbian government** has denied allegations that police used **sonic weapons** to disperse anti-government protesters.

- Sonic Weapons are devices that deliver **highly concentrated, amplified sound** over long distances usually for crowd control.
- In **2004**, the **United States first used** such special devices to project loud sounds over long distances in **Iraq**.
- **It is of 3 types:**
  - **Long-Range Acoustic Device (LRAD):** Produces sound **up to 160 decibels (dB)** causing **ringing ears (tinnitus), hearing damage**, and other health issues.
    - A **jet engine** during takeoff produces **130-140 dB**, and a **gunshot** around **150 dB**. Sounds **above 120 dB** can cause **permanent hearing damage**.
  - **Mosquito:** Emits **high-pitched sounds** painful only to younger people (under 30).
  - **Infrasonic Weapon:** Delivers **low-frequency, inaudible sounds** causing pain and disorientation.
- **Serbia** is a **landlocked country in eastern Europe**. [Kosovo declared independence](#) from Serbia in **2008**, but Serbia does not recognize Kosovo's statehood.



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