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Hoax Bomb Package With Warning Note at Malaysia's KLIA Causes Panic

"Be careful. Do not throw it; it might explode. This is a bomb." This was the warning note on a package arriving at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport (KLIA) Cargo Terminal on Thursday (Apr 25) that caused further alarm as security scanning found it contained a laptop, batteries and wires. But it later turned out to be a hoax.

"It was found that there were no explosive materials, but there was a threatening statement on the package, and the Bomb Disposal Unit of the Royal Malaysia Police took action according to standard operating procedures (SOP)," said KLIA district police chief Assistant Commissioner Azman Shari'at.





Dangerous FAA Amendment Would Hurt Aviation Security

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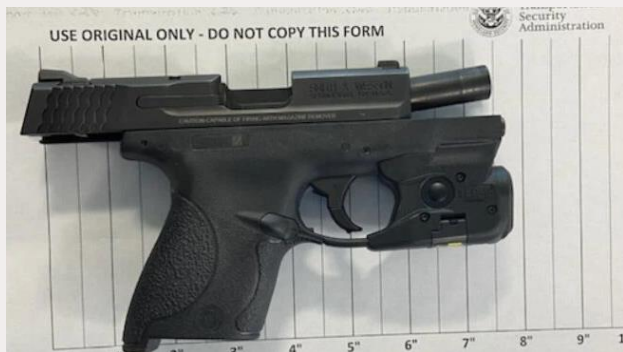
New amendment proposed by US Senators Jeff Merkley and John Kennedy aims to halt the use of automated facial matching technology by the Transportation Security Administration at airport checkpoints, an optional tech widely supported by travelers. This amendment is part of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) reauthorization bill.

During a visit to Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), the busiest in the country, with thousands of travelers each day using automated identity verification system for a safer and faster security experience, the Commission on Seamless and Secure Travel, along with representatives from the TSA, Delta Air Lines, and U.S. Travel Association, explored various advancements in travel technology. These included the TSA PreCheck Touchless ID with Delta, CAT-2 screening technology, and Delta's curb-to-gate digital identity experience. The Merkley/Kennedy amendment coincided with this visit and highlights the significance of efficient and secure biometric screening, which is poised to shape the future of travel.





TSA Stops Manassas Park Man with Gun at Washington Dulles Airport



Transportation Security Administration (TSA) officers at Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD) prevented a Manassas Park, Va., man from bringing his handgun onto a flight on Saturday, April 20. The .40 caliber handgun was loaded with seven bullets. The weapon was caught as the man entered the security checkpoint and the X-ray unit alerted on his carry-on bag.

TSA officials notified the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Police who confiscated the gun and cited the man on a weapons charge. In addition to the citation by airport police, this individual now faces a stiff financial civil penalty. Civil penalties for carrying weapons can reach a maximum of \$15,000.

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Turkish Airlines Boss Claims Istanbul Laptop Ban Will Be Lifted By US

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The US “devices ban” on flights from certain Middle East and North African airlines is unravelling — though the UK has shown no intention of removing prohibitions on laptops and e-readers. In March, the US Department for Homeland Security (DHS) abruptly introduced a ban on any electronic devices bigger than a mobile phone from the cabin of flights to the US from eight Middle Eastern and North African nations. Services flying non-stop from the United Arab Emirates, Jordan, Egypt, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Morocco and Qatar are covered by the ban. But on Monday the second airport in the UAE, Abu Dhabi, was deemed safe enough to relax the ban.





From Patna to Paris, IndiGo's Wide Body Planes are a Boost to India's Plan of Building Transit Hubs



IndiGo's foray into the long haul international market is a big boost for the government's plan to transform India's airports into major hubs in the region. A hub airport is used by one or more airlines to concentrate passenger traffic. These hubs serve as important transfer points, allowing travellers to reach their destinations through an extensive network of flights, offering a wide range of routes to choose from.

Aviation & Maritime Training

- Aviation Security for Senior Management, Supervisors
- AVSEC for front-line Security Officers
- Tactical Profiling Course
- Bomb Threat Handling
- Document Verification Course (Travel documents)
- Check-point Screeners Course (x-ray)
- Regulated Agent Regime for Airfreight
- Understanding Explosives
- International Ship & Port Facility Security Code
- Maritime Security Audits & Inspections



MAHB, Police to Discuss Improving Airport Security — Minister



Malaysia Airports Holdings Bhd (MAHB) and the police will discuss improving the safety and security measures of passengers at airports, said Transport Minister Anthony Loke. Simultaneously, the Cabinet has been informed that the Home Ministry (KDN) has deployed General Operations Force (GOF) personnel to patrol airports nationwide. “MAHB has given their report (to me) and will stay in touch with the police to increase security measures at the airport.” The (shooting) incident like this was unexpected, and I am sure MAHB will step up their security measure to ensure the safety and security of passengers,” he said during a press conference today.

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Kaunas Airport Resumes Operations After Evacuation Over Bomb Threat

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On Friday, Vilnius and Kaunas Airports received bomb threats. The report was received at around 16:00 after a call was made to the general call centre of the airports. After assessing the situation, a decision was taken to evacuate Kaunas Airport, Marius Zelenius, the head of the Communications Department of Lithuanian Airports, told the Delfi news website. At 17:48, Kaunas Airport announced that the police officers lifted the alert, and passengers were being allowed back to the airport. The incident did not affect flights. After assessing the threat level, it was also decided not to evacuate the Vilnius Airport.

