



Security Snippets

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Hackers Reportedly Compromise Argentina's Airport Security Payroll System

Argentina's airport security police (PSA) have fallen victim to a cyberattack that reportedly compromised the personal and financial data of its officers and civilian personnel. The unknown threat actor gained access to PSA's payroll records and deducted small amounts of money from employees' salaries, local media reported on Monday, citing sources at the agency. The hackers listed these fraudulent deductions — ranging from 2,000 to 5,000 pesos (\$100 to \$245) — under false labels, such as “DD mayor” and “DD seguros.” According to the reports, the cybercriminals gained access to PSA records through a vulnerability in the systems of Banco Nación, the bank that processes the agency's payroll. The operation could have been carried out either from abroad or from within Argentina, potentially with internal accomplices, local media said.





Nearly \$300,000 of Heroin Allegedly Excreted by Two Men After Baggage Search at Perth Airport

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Two men have been arrested and charged after they allegedly smuggled nearly \$300,000 worth of heroin into Perth. The Hungarian nationals, both 33, arrived on an overseas flight to Perth on Sunday where they were subject to a baggage search, during which one of the men said his stomach hurt and that he wanted to go to hospital. Both men were taken to Royal Perth Hospital where, over a period of almost nine hours, one man excreted 30 pellets allegedly containing heroin, with an estimated total weight of 300 grams.





Virgin Australia Crew Allegedly Raped, Robbed in Fiji



The Fiji government on Thursday said police were investigating incidents involving two crew members of Australian airline Virgin Australia (IPO-VIR.AX), opens new tab who were allegedly victims of rape and theft in Nadi in the early hours of New Year's Day. The crew members were in the popular tourist destination on a layover before they were supposed to fly off the following day, Fiji Acting Commissioner of Police Juki Fong Chew said in a statement.

Corporate Security Training

- Bomb Threat Management
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- Security Threats
- Security Management
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Couple Charged Over Alleged Behaviour on Flight

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An Australian couple accused of disorderly behaviour on a domestic flight are expected to appear in the Downing Centre Local Court today (6 January, 2025). The AFP responded to a request for assistance from airline staff after a man, 45, and woman, 53, were accused of causing a disturbance on a flight from Hobart to Sydney on Sunday, 29 December, 2024. The pair were allegedly intoxicated and drinking alcohol they had brought with them onto the flight. The woman was also accused of allegedly grabbing and shaking another passenger while exiting the aircraft toilet.



Detention of Three Self-radicalised Singaporeans



The three Singaporeans, 21-year-old Muhammad Indra Aqmal bin Effendy, 41-year-old Mohamad Latiff bin Rahim, and 44-year-old Nurisham bin Yusoff, had been self-radicalised online and had prepared to engage in armed violence overseas. While their cases were not related, their radicalisation was either triggered or accelerated by the ongoing Israel-HAMAS conflict. These cases highlight how overseas conflicts can have an impact on Singapore's security. Since the onset of the Israel-HAMAS conflict in October 2023, ISD has dealt with at least five Singaporeans under the ISA, whose radicalisation was either triggered or accelerated by the ongoing conflict. Even though it has been more than a year since the start of the conflict, extremist narratives on it, as well as on the growing strife in the Middle East, have not abated.

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



Long Queues at Border Control as German Airports Hit By IT Outage

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German airports were hit by a nationwide IT outage affecting police systems at border control on Friday, causing disruption and longer immigration queues for passengers from outside the European Union's Schengen travel zone. "There is currently a nationwide IT disruption," a federal police spokesperson said by phone, forcing officers to manually process passengers arriving from outside the passport-free Schengen area. The cause was not immediately known. The outage caused queues of people waiting at border control at several German airports, including Frankfurt, the country's busiest. Berlin airport confirmed longer waiting times at immigration for non-Schengen passengers.



Police Arrest Three Over Forged Documents at Paphos Airport



Three African nationals were arrested at Paphos International Airport on Monday evening for attempting to travel to Europe using forged identity documents, police said. According to Assistant Police Director of Operations in Paphos Michalis Nicolaou, a 30-year-old woman and two men aged 34 and 36 separately presented European Union identity cards at the airport's departure terminal between 19:30 and 20:00. Airport security officials detected the documents were counterfeit during routine checks. The suspects later admitted to forgery and identity fraud during questioning, according to police.

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The Kano Airport Security Breach, an Example of a Red Flag

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How a strange man found his way into an aircraft parked at the Malam Aminu Kano International airport late last year has continued to raise dust. There was a security breach at the Kano airport towards the end of the outgone year when the questionable man beat all security apparatus at the airport and walked freely into one of the aircraft parked at the apron. According to the trending news, the presence of the unwanted guest was discovered by the crew, who saw him hiding inside the aircraft toilet. The indigenous airline was said to have parked the aircraft at Kano airport on a Wednesday night for an early morning flight to the Murtala Muhammed Airport (MMA), Lagos after the last day's sector, only for the crew to find the man inside the aircraft's toilet when they resumed for duty.

