



Security Snippets

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Denver International Airport Sees Security Satisfaction Rise

Denver International Airport reports higher satisfaction scores after opening its new West Checkpoint, with improved wait times and screening experience. The score for “ease of going through security screening” rose to 4.2 out of 5, a 13% increase, while the “waiting time: security screening” score climbed 19% to 4.18. The ASQ programme, led by Airports Council International (ACI), surveys nearly 400 airports globally to assess and enhance passenger satisfaction and service quality.





How the New Terminal One is Shaping the Future of Guest Experience

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For travellers flying internationally through New York's JFK Airport in 2026, the New Terminal One promises to deliver an innovative and incredible airport experience like no other once we open our doors. As Vice President of Operations, I am excited to be part of the talented team redefining what it means to travel through one of the world's busiest airports. At the New Terminal One, we refer to our travellers as "guests" – demonstrating our commitment to hospitality and service excellence.





British Pensioner 79, 'Caught with Five Kilos of Methamphetamine' at Airport in Chile



A British pensioner has been arrested in Chile after allegedly attempting to smuggle five kilos of methamphetamine. The 79-year-old flew in to Santiago from the Mexican city of Cancun, and was preparing to make his way to Australia. But the unnamed man was detained after a scanner detected a 'suspicious' substance in his suitcase. After a swift search, officers discovered a concealed compartment in his luggage where the drugs had been hidden. The methamphetamine would have been worth around £200,000 on Chilean streets. Airport police chief Sergio Paredes said it was the first time the arrested man had entered Chile.

Corporate Security Training

- Bomb Threat Management
- Understanding & Managing
- Security Threats
- Security Management
- Security Awareness for Employees
- First Line Crisis Mitigation
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- Campus, Hospital and Hotel Security
- Risk & Vulnerability Assessment
- Basic Investigations Course

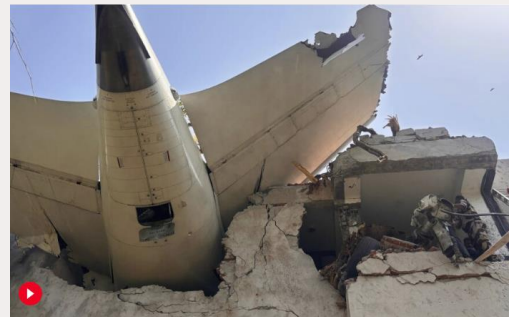


Pilot's Chilling Mayday Call Before Deadly Ahmedabad Crash

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An Air India passenger plane bound for London with 242 people on board crashed into a medical college after takeoff Thursday in the northwestern city of Ahmedabad, officials said, in one of India's worst airline disasters in decades. A single passenger survived the crash, according to a senior Indian official. The airline said there were no other survivors. Thursday's Air India crash involved a 12-year-old Boeing 787. Although the cause remains unclear, some analysts doubt it will affect global demand for Boeing planes, which have been plagued by safety issues on other types of aircraft.





Cuban Woman Detained at Havana Airport with Cocaine Hidden in Appliances



A Cuban citizen residing in Guyana was arrested at José Martí International Airport in Havana after it was discovered that she was transporting cocaine hidden in appliances. The incident was captured by the cameras of the show "Alto Frontera", from the YouTube channel History Latinoamérica. This documentary series follows control operations at airports and land borders in Latin America, showcasing how authorities detect and confront smuggling and drug trafficking attempts. The episodes feature real cases.

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



DR Congo Launches Advanced Biometric Passport with Enhanced Security Features

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The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) has officially introduced a new biometric passport. Unveiled last week, the new passport incorporates advanced security features and complies with updated international standards for travel documents. Public distribution will begin on June 5. Advanced Features and International Compliance. The new passport is equipped with a contactless RFID chip that securely stores biometric data. Additional physical safeguards include polycarbonate pages, holograms, ultraviolet inks, and watermarks designed to resist tampering and counterfeiting. To support frequent travelers, the document has been expanded from 32 to 38 pages. Officials have confirmed that the passport complies with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) standard 39794. This newer biometric encoding standard supports larger facial images, additional metadata, and improved extensibility. While global inspection systems must be ready to support the standard by 2026, passport issuers have until 2030 to fully transition.





Airport Security Boosted in Gabon



Westminster Group has started a security services contract in Gabon. Covering four airports, this long-term agreement includes security upgrades, from advanced screening and surveillance to training and support. The airports covered under the contract are Libreville, Franceville, Port-Gentil and Oyem. In related news, Libreville Airport director general Igor Simard and General Jude Ibrahim Rapontchombo, special delegate for the Municipality of Libreville, recently signed a memorandum of understanding to secure the area surrounding Libreville Airport. The MoU is intended to enable synergy between these different entities through coordination of decision-making and information on risks related to activities and buildings in the immediate vicinity of Libreville Airport.

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Emirates Flight Hit by Laser

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A recent safety incident at Chennai International Airport has brought attention to the increasing danger posed by laser strikes targeting aircraft, underscoring a significant risk to both aviation safety and public security. On June 5, 2025, Emirates Flight EK542, traveling from Dubai to Chennai, became the latest victim of this rising threat when a green laser beam struck the cockpit during the aircraft's final descent. The blinding effect forced the pilot to abort the landing and perform a go-around, creating a scenario that could have led to far more serious consequences if not for the prompt and effective response by the flight crew and air traffic controllers.