



Security Snippets

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Angola's Aviation Security System Earns ICAO Recognition

Angola's civil aviation security system has received high commendation following a recent audit by the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO). The audit, conducted under the Universal Security Audit Programme – Continuous Monitoring Approach (USAP-CMA), concluded on 25 June 2025 and placed Angola at a benchmark level for compliance with global standards on protection against acts of unlawful interference. The ICAO mission, which ran from 16 to 25 June, evaluated Angola's national capacity to supervise, prevent, and respond to security threats. The audit covered all aspects of aviation security, including threats to airports, aircraft, passengers, baggage, and air cargo.





QLD Man Faces Court Over Assault of Airline Employee

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A Mackay man is expected to appear before Brisbane Magistrates Court today (26 June, 2025) charged with allegedly assaulting an airline employee at Brisbane Airport. The man, 36, was charged on 15 May, 2025, after the AFP received a request for assistance at Brisbane Airport. Airline staff, airport security personnel and a member of the public had restrained the man, who was wearing a scooter helmet, after he allegedly pushed an airline employee to the ground. It is alleged he pushed the female employee to the ground after he was refused entry onto his connecting flight to Mackay due to disruptive behaviour on his previous flight from Sydney.





Hoax Bomb Threat Triggers Panic at Hubballi Airport



Soon after the airport officials noticed the email, they alerted the security, following which a bomb detection and defusal squad, along with sniffer dogs, rushed to the airport. Security was heightened at Agra Airport and Hubballi Airport after both facilities received bomb threat emails, triggering widespread panic and emergency responses. The threatening emails claimed that explosives had been planted inside the airports, with specific mention of a bomb hidden in a backpack at Agra. The emails were sent from the IDs roadkill@atomicmail.io and kyokill@atomicmail.io, raising suspicions of a coordinated hoax.

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- Bomb Threat Management
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- Security Threats
- Security Management
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Hong Kong Customs Seizes Suspected Ketamine and Suspected MDMA

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Hong Kong Customs today (June 24) detected a drug trafficking case involving baggage concealment at Hong Kong International Airport. About 10.4 kilograms of suspected ketamine and 2.1kg of suspected MDMA, with a total estimated market value of about \$4.9 million, were seized.



New Security Screening Technology Added at Halifax Stanfield International Airport



A new piece of technology is being used at a security screening line at the Halifax Stanfield International Airport (YHZ). The Canadian Air Transport Security Authority's (CATSA's) CT X-ray technology has been added to the Domestic/International checkpoint. The new technology means passengers travelling through Halifax will “no longer need to remove bags with permitted liquids, aerosols and gels (100 ml or less), medical devices, or large electronics – including laptops – from their carry-on bags.”

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

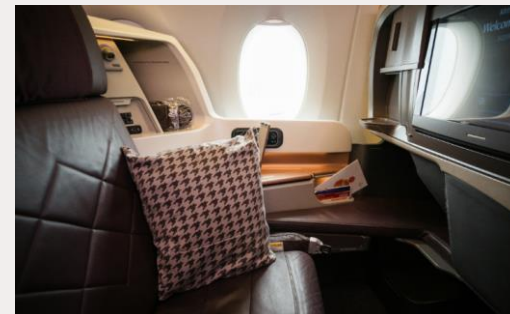


Filipino Passenger Robbed Mid-flight in Suspected International Theft Operation

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A Filipino senior advisor's late-night flight turned into a real-life crime scene when he discovered cash missing from his bag in what authorities say could be part of a rising wave of in-flight thefts targeting long-haul passengers. According an Inquirer.net report, the incident happened on a flight from Manama, Bahrain, to Istanbul, Turkey—just over four hours in the air. The passenger, who had fallen asleep in business class after a tiring day, was discreetly alerted by a flight attendant mid-flight to check his overhead bag. When he inspected it, his travel pouch—previously filled with various currencies—was found unzipped and empty. His passport and cards were untouched.





Scattered Spider Strikes Again?



Hawaiian Airlines announced a cybersecurity incident Friday as security experts warned of a sector-wide threat. The aviation industry has seemingly become the latest target of Scattered Spider, a sophisticated cybercriminal group that has shifted its focus from retail and insurance companies to airlines in what cybersecurity experts describe as a coordinated campaign against the sector. Multiple incident responders have attributed the Hawaiian Airlines attack to Scattered Spider, also known as Muddled Libra or UNC3944. The assessment comes as cybersecurity firms Unit 42 and Mandiant issued warnings about the group's apparent pivot to targeting aviation companies.

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Aviation's New Weapons in Cybersecurity: AI and Data Science

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Embry-Riddle's Center for Aerospace Resilient Systems (CARS) is researching the use of artificial intelligence and machine learning to fight the rising tide of cybersecurity attacks against the aviation industry. With cyberattacks on aviation skyrocketing by 74% since 2020, experts warn that business aviation operators may make attractive targets for hackers involved in industrial espionage, ransomware attacks or business identity theft. To gain an advantage over these high-tech criminals, the aviation industry is using AI and data science to learn more about how to protect itself against increasing threats to cybersecurity.

