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How Biometric Passports Make Disappearing More Difficult

In an age where data points increasingly define privacy, the biometric passport has emerged as one of the most potent tools governments use to monitor movement across borders. Once hailed as a solution to identity fraud and terrorism, biometric passports have also become a critical obstacle for anyone attempting to disappear, reinvent themselves, or start a new life, even legally. Biometric passports, also known as e-passports, are now used in more than 150 countries. They contain a chip that stores a traveller's digital facial image, fingerprints, and other identifiers.





Drone Threat Reportedly Causes Mass Flight Delays in Russia's Moscow, St. Petersburg Airports

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Russia's largest airports experienced hours-long flight delays and cancellations on July 5, as authorities imposed temporary restrictions due to a reported threat of Ukrainian drone attacks, the pro-Kremlin Telegram channel Shot reported. Ukraine hasn't commented on the report. Kyiv's drone campaign, which has increasingly disrupted civilian air travel in Russia, is part of Ukraine's broader strategy to undermine Russia's logistics far beyond the front line. Some passengers in Russia reported waiting more than 10 hours on July 5 as their flights were being delayed, according to Shot.





EasyJet Chaos as Passengers 'abusive' after 'Peeing in Aisle' on Tenerife Flight



A disruptive airline passenger caused chaos on an easyJet flight from Birmingham to Tenerife by urinating in the aisle. This led to a mid-air emergency, and the crew requested urgent police assistance upon landing after other passengers became "abusive". The incident occurred on flight EZY6607 on Wednesday, July 2. Air traffic control granted the plane priority landing at Tenerife South Airport, where it arrived just before 3.30 a.m. The Canarian Weekly reported that the easyJet crew had called for "urgent assistance" due to a "mid-flight emergency" and a significant disturbance onboard.

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These Airports Will Soon Be Lifting Restrictions on Hand Luggage Liquids

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Good news for UK travelers: airports have started lifting the long-standing 100 ml hand luggage liquid rule. Birmingham International Airport and Edinburgh Airport have recently removed this restriction and now allow passengers to carry up to two liters (67.62 ounces) of liquids in their cabin bags without taking them out at security. The change follows government approval to introduce new advanced scanners that eliminate the need to remove liquids and electronics at security.





Australia's Qantas Says 6 Million Customer Accounts Accessed in Cyber Hack



A cyber hacker broke into a database containing the personal information of millions of customers, Qantas (QAN.AX), opens new tab said, in Australia's biggest breach in years and a setback for an airline rebuilding trust after a reputational crisis. The hacker targeted a call centre and gained access to a third-party customer service platform containing six million names, email addresses, phone numbers, birth dates and frequent flyer numbers, Qantas said in a statement on Wednesday.

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



Operations Return to Normal After Montreal Airport Control Tower Evacuated Due to Bomb Threat

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Trudeau International Airport was briefly evacuated Thursday morning due to a bomb threat. According to Nav Canada and the ADM, other Canadian airports received similar threats and were affected. Those include facilities in Ottawa, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver. Some flights were delayed or canceled, but the ADM said everything was back to normal around 8 a.m. Quebec provincial police were also on-site.





Ethiopian Intelligence Professionals Attain Global Certification in Aviation Security Quality, Risk Management



Forty professionals from Ethiopia's National Intelligence and Security Service (NISS) have been awarded international certifications in Aviation Security Quality Control and Risk Management, following a comprehensive training program jointly conducted with the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). In a press release issued to Fana Media Corporation, NISS—the institution overseeing Ethiopia's aviation security framework—announced that the certification marks a significant milestone in its ongoing efforts to enhance national aviation safety standards. The training, held in collaboration with ICAO, provided participants with advanced expertise in quality control procedures and risk management protocols critical to aviation security.

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Air India Plane Crash: Preliminary Findings Point to Fuel Supply Interruption

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The tragic crash of an Air India passenger aircraft last month, which resulted in the loss of 260 lives, has prompted a comprehensive investigation into the potential causes. A preliminary report from India's Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) suggests that a disruption in the fuel supply to the engines may have played a critical role in the disaster. According to the findings, the fuel control levers for both engines unexpectedly shifted to the 'off' position shortly after takeoff, resulting in a sudden loss of thrust. This abrupt change reportedly caused confusion within the cockpit, as the pilots were uncertain why the fuel switches had been disengaged.

