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STRENGTHENING INTELLIGENCE AND AVIATION SECURITY

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"We must do better in keeping dangerous people off airplanes while still facilitating air travel...I'm ordering an immediate effort to strengthen the criteria used to add individuals to our terrorist watch lists, especially the no-fly list."

-- [Remarks by the President on Strengthening Intelligence and Aviation Security](#), January 7, 2010



The United States is strengthening airline security measures and taking other corrective actions in the aftermath of a thwarted terrorist attack on a Detroit-bound flight on Christmas Day. President Obama announced at the White House January 7 outlining four areas that two top-level reviews have indicated need correcting to prevent a similar incident from happening. President Obama said he is directing the U.S. intelligence community to immediately assign personnel to investigate all leads on high-priority threats and to implement wider and more rapid distribution of intelligence reports, especially those involving potential threats, and a strengthening of the analysis process to support the other measures. Because much of the recommendations involve highly classified intelligence operations, full details will not be made public.

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