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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NO: 01/FOI/25/015298/Y

I write in connection with your request for information dated 08/09/2025, received by Greater Manchester Police (GMP) for the following information:

*On the 21st September 2023 on a flight from Orlando, Florida to Manchester Airport upon landing we were surrounded by Police and Fire Department and escorted off of the plane then held in part of the airport and questioned.
Firearms police and detectives were there*

*21st September 2023, around mid-day, we were taken off of the plane from the stairs at the back, then went on the shuttle-buses to the part of the airport we were held.
Some officers were searching people that were going in and out of the toilets.*

*A general update on what actually happened, but primarily what the conclusion of the incident was, i.e what the 'thing' on the plane was that we were held in the airport for, and what it was believed to be at the time of the incident
A timeline of the incident if possible*

Result of Searches

Following receipt of your request searches were conducted within Greater Manchester Police (GMP) to locate information relevant to your request. I can confirm that the information you have requested is held by GMP.

The following is a statement made to the media following the incident:

A GMP spokesperson said: "Police were called to a report of a suspicious package on an inbound flight to Terminal 2 of Manchester Airport at around 10:45am today (21 September 2023). In line with standard procedure, the plane was evacuated and a cordon put in place as

a safety precaution while an assessment was carried out by the Explosive Ordinance Disposal team. The package was recovered and tests confirmed it posed no threat. The cordon was subsequently lifted once deemed safe to do so.