

Passenger Arrested for Bomb Threats Says He Has Secret Documents

A passenger on a flight from Paris to Atlanta, USA, was arrested on Tuesday and charged with making bomb threats. He has told a strange story to explain what he did.

The charge says Derek Stansberry gave a flight attendant a note. It said he was not a U.S. citizen (not true) and not using his real name or ID. It also said, "Please let my family know the truth."

The charge also says: The flight attendant gave the note to the plane's air marshals. They questioned Stansberry, who said he had explosives in his boots and laptop. The marshals took away these things. The plane was diverted (taken off course) to Bangor, Maine. It was cleared and searched.

Stansberry was searched and questioned. The charge says he then said he had never really had bombs -- he had secret government documents. He claimed he had made the threats to distract people from the documents, it says. Although no one on the plane had spoken to him, he believed they were making fun of him and trying to get information from him, it says.

Stansberry also said he had taken prescription drugs recently.

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