

ABC 720 Perth (Perth)
Mornings - 14/08/2006 - 08:52 AM
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QR Sciences have been developing a screening procedure for the detection of plastic explosives in hand luggage. Norman Swank is the director the **QR Sciences** and the former head of airport security at Heathrow Airport and talks about the future of air travel and security procedures as well as difficulties in detection of liquid explosives. Trials of the security measures being developed by **QR Sciences** which involved Sydney Airport is discussed. Security at Aust airports is discussed and talks about measures in the UK including e-ticketing. The impact of not being able to take hand luggage onto planes is also discussed.

Interviewees: Norman Swank, director, **QR Sciences**/ former head of airport security, Heathrow Airport

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Radio National (National Australia)
Radio National Breakfast - 14/08/2006 - 06:53 AM
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Kelly says news last week that British police had foiled a major terrorist plot not only rattled travellers it also sent shockwaves across global financial markets. Oil prices and airline stocks plunged as investors punted the airlines would cut back on fuel purchases because fewer people would want to fly in such a risky environment, but it looks like that anxiety will be short lived. Kelly speaks with Cheryl Bagwell, business editor about finance news. Bagwell says on Thursday oil fell by around \$2.35 a barrel in one day and was a very big hit but was back up again on Friday as markets turned their attention to the conflict in the Middle East. She thinks the full impact of this terrorism scare is really still being played out. Bagwell reveals that shares in British Airways took a big tumble last week as investors worried whether American travellers would continue on their European summer holidays. She says the Qantas share price only fell by 3 cents and the Australian airline said there had been minimal cancellations since the scare. Bagwell reveals that Sydney Airport's majority owner Macquarie Airports dropped 2 percent last week as investors worried about the security alerts and what that would mean for its retail business. She says a local tech company called **QR Sciences** saw its share price rise by more than 18 percent last week, the company is developing scanners that can detect explosives in hand luggage. Bagwell reveals that the ACCC has decided to impose a much lower wholesale ULL price on Telstra, the price Telstra can charge its rivals for access to the copper network in the city.

Interviewees: Cheryl Bagwell, business editor

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ABC 666 Canberra (Canberra)
Saturday Breakfast - 12/08/2006 - 08:18 AM
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Norman Shanks, a former Head of Security at Heathrow Airport, says that the foiled plot to bomb passenger airliners on the way to the United States will have a greater impact on the aviation industry than the September the 11th 2001 attacks. He says that the plot has exposed major weaknesses in security checks. He notes that current security scans cannot detect certain explosives. Mr Shanks says that if a weapon is carried through security in component parts then it is extremely difficult to detect. Mr Shanks thinks that the worldwide response will be a ban on liquids and gels in carry-on bags.

Interviewees: **Norman Shanks**, Security Consultant

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ABC 702 Sydney (National Australia)

AM Saturday - 12/08/2006 - 08:08 AM

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Arrests continue around the world in response to a terrorist plot to bomb planes flying from the UK to the US. British police have questioned 24 suspects, but one has since been released. In Italy, 40 people have been arrested. There are allegations that the plot originated in Pakistan and is connected to Osama Bin Laden. Peter Lloyd reports from New Delhi. He explains how the plot was allegedly discovered in Pakistan, thanks to a confession by an al-Qaeda operative under interrogation. He explains the ABC has been told that in June authorities in Pakistan arrested the leader of the terrorist group responsible for the abduction and beheading of American journalist Daniel Pearl. The first flights leaving London after the terror alert yesterday have arrived in Sydney and Melbourne overnight. Brendan Trembath reports from Sydney Airport and describes the arrival and the condition of travellers. Traveller Kevin Laipson says that everyone understood why extra security measures were being taken, although he would have liked to have his iPod onboard. Britain remains at its highest possible alert level today. Questions have turned to the radicalisation of young British Muslims and whether enough is being done to curb this trend. The Bank of England posted the names of 19 suspects on its website after freezing their accounts and it has emerged that most, if not all, are young British Muslims. Some British Muslims are sceptical about the timing of the arrests, and some blame British foreign policy for the radicalisation. Former head of security at Heathrow Airport **Norman Shanks** has told reporter Connor Duffy the foiled attack will have a greater impact on the aviation industry than 9/11. Shanks describes security measures that can be employed to prevent future catastrophe, although it is difficult.

Interviewees: Tasneem Asland, Foreign Ministry Spokeswoman; Commodore Oude Bashka(*), Indian Defence Analyst; Sam Butler, Traveller; Kevin Laipson, Traveller; Greg Stokes, Traveller; Mike Stanton, Traveller; Vox pops of British people; John Reid, British Home Secretary; Harass Rafik, Sufi Muslim Council; **Norman Shanks**, Former Head of Security, Heathrow Airport

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