

PASSENGER DETAINED FOR OPENING EMERGENCY DOOR DURING TAXIING

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A passenger opened an emergency door on a Hainan [Airlines](#) (HU) flight without authorization on Saturday morning when the plane was taxiing.

Flight HU7917 from Lanzhou to Taipei was taxiing for takeoff at Lanzhou Zhongchuan International Airport (LHW) when a woman on board the aircraft opened an emergency door. She thought she was "**opening** a window", according to an airport staff.

Her act caused the flight to be delayed for more than one hour.

The **passenger** was administratively detained for 10 days as her act has severely hurt aviation safety, disrupted flight operations and caused ill social impact.

Flight HU7917 was scheduled to take off at 8:35 a.m. and actually departed from Lanzhou airport at 9:42 a.m., with a delay of one hour and seven minutes, according to VeryZhun, China's leading flight status service provider.

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