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LAS VEGAS, Nevada — The Federal Air Marshal Association (FAMA) requested a meeting today with both the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Secretary Tom Ridge and the Director of the Federal Air Marshal Service (FAMS) Thomas Quinn, with the meeting to include FAMA's Executive Director Bob Flamm, who feels it is urgent to work together to share information on flight safety, and specifically to discuss the issue of terrorist dry-runs and probes.

"A test run for terrorism is not to be ignored," stated Director Flamm, who added that the public's need to know overrides any political ambitions.

"People flying today have a need to understand what is happening, and the government needs to facilitate this understanding and not mislead the public," stated a Board member of FAMA, who must remain anonymous due to his work as a current flying Federal Air Marshal.

When 14 Syrian men with expired visas can board a flight, act suspicious, worry flight attendants and pilots, continuously arouse the suspicion of Federal Air Marshals, and scare passengers, it is time to stop the political activity and to start taking the required safety precautions.

On June 29th, Annie and Kevin Jacobsen witnessed a possible "probe" in progress and have since had their credibility questioned by a spokesman of the Federal Air Marshal Service.

Flamm went on to say, "When a citizen stands up and speaks out in regard to air safety, it is the responsibility of the law enforcement officials involved to seek out the truth and not bury it".

Flamm concluded, "The Federal Air Marshal Association exists for one reason, and one reason only — to make the skies safer for all passengers"
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