

Manchester Airport reopens after evacuation over suspicious bag

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London: One of three terminals at Britain's Manchester Airport was evacuated for several hours on Wednesday while authorities investigated a suspicious bag. The airport said routine baggage screening had revealed "a bag which appeared to contain a suspicious item."

Passengers stand on the tarmac after being evacuated at Manchester Airport

Hundreds of passengers were ushered out of Terminal 3 as a bomb disposal team was called in to investigate.

The Greater Manchester Police force said bomb disposal officers conducted a series of controlled explosions on the bag. The force said "the package is not believed to be a viable device," and the incident was not terrorism-related.

The two other terminals at the northwest England airport remained open, and airplanes continued to take off and land after the evacuation.

The airport said passengers due to fly from Terminal 3 should contact their airline.

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