

THE LOGICAL OUTCOME OF JUAN WILLIAMS' LEGITIMIZATION OF IRRATIONAL FEARS

As Adam Serwer noted, a family apparently dressed in Muslim garb was removed from a plane and questioned by the FBI today.

Some cannot help but think their appearance had something to do with a family's removal from a plane Tuesday morning at Memphis International Airport.

"My understanding is they were dressed in attire that would indicate some Muslim-type religion," said airport vice-president Scott Brockman.

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"The family was asked to leave the aircraft, which they did peacefully," said Brockman. "At that point, the aircraft was inspected and cleared," he added.

A bomb-sniffing dog and other measures resulted in a two-hour delay. The family was placed on a later flight following an interview with the FBI.

Thanks to Juan Williams' legitimization of this kind of irrational response, I guess people dressed in religious garb no longer can pee in crappy airplane bathrooms without expecting to be detained by the FBI.