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Position: United States should ban carry-on liquids

This position addresses the topic 2006 transatlantic aircraft plot.

For this position

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From A Retreat on Carry-On Liquids, by The New York Times editorial board (*The New York Times*, September 10, 2006) ([view](#))

Against this position

“ We don't need to ban water from planes; we need to keep terrorists off them. To most effectively do so, we need to get over our obsession with "bad" things (laptops, lighters, bottled water) and start looking for bad people.” ”

From Refocusing airport security, by Robert Poole (*The Washington Times*, August 20, 2006) ([view](#))

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