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The Importance of Conducting Primary Source Verification within the Aviation Industry

Did You Know?

The global airline industry consists of over **2,000 airlines** operating more than **23,000 aircraft**, providing services to over **3,700 airports**
(Airport World, 2015)

The aviation industry provides in excess of **57 million jobs** throughout the world
[International Air Transport Association - IATA, 2013]

According to a report conducted by the Civil Aviation Administration in Beijing in 2010, more than **200 pilots** falsified their flying histories
(Civil Aviation Administration in Beijing, 2010)

The rate of global document forgery stands at **3.35%** as of October 2017
(The DataFlow Group, 2017)

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According to US-based background check company, there is a **21%** criminal hit rate among all airline personnel that have been screened
[EmployeescreenIQ, 2013]

Reported Fraud within the Aviation Industry

Central Investigation Bureau of Nepal Police Arrests Pilot for Producing Fake Academic Credentials to Pursue Aviation Study (The Himalayan Times, 2016)

42 People Killed in Plane Crash in China; Pilot Found to have False Credentials (Epotch Times, 2015)

Former US Air Force Pilot Forges Licence and Medical Certificates and Flies British Passengers into Major UK Airport (The Telegraph, 2013)

India May have 4,000 Fake Pilots (NDTV, 2011)

Swedish Pilot Arrested in Europe after Flying with Fake License for 13 years (news.com.au, 2010)

Interesting Facts

The security criteria defined by the 1990 Aviation and Maritime Security Act states that individuals who wish to work unescorted in restricted areas at an airport must be screened to a specific standard (Sterling Talent Solutions)
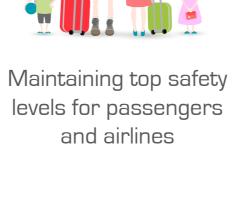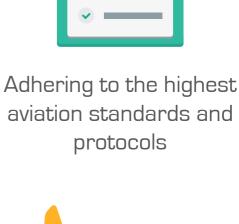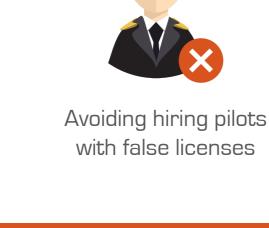
The United Kingdom Department for Transport requires a basic criminal record disclosure for certain roles (UK Government, 2012)

All of China's civil aviation personnel must undergo background security investigations (Regulation on Safety and Security of Civil Aviation, 2016)

The Benefits of Implementing Primary Source Verification

Protecting the global aviation community

Maintaining top safety levels for passengers and airlines

Adhering to the highest aviation standards and protocols

Avoiding hiring pilots with false licenses

Mitigating the risk of human error

How Can We Help?

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Utilises cutting-edge technologies and leverages an expansive network of over **60,000 issuing authorities** throughout more than **200 countries** and territories to liaise with primary sources and verify the authenticity of documents submitted by candidates

We partner with clients across the public and private sectors to ultimately assist them in reducing potential risk by exposing fraudulent education degrees, employment certificates, practice licenses, work permits and passports, as well as other academic and professional credentials