

Airline bombings and foiled plots since 9/11

■ Dec 22, 2001:

"Shoe bomber"

Richard Reid

caught trying
to blow up

American

Airlines Flight 63

from Paris to Miami with

explosives hidden in his shoes



■ Dec 25, 2009:

Umar Faruk

Abdulmutallab

tries to detonate

device hidden in

his underwear on
board **Northwest**

Flight 253 from

Amsterdam to Detroit. Explosives
fail to detonate fully



■ Aug 24, 2004: Two female

Chechen suicide bombers use RDX

to cause simultaneous explosions

in separate Russian passenger jets.

Ninety people killed

■ Aug 10, 2006: British officials foil
plot to blow up multiple transatlantic
aircraft with liquid explosives hidden
in soft-drink bottles. Rules restricting
liquids allowed through airport
security introduced

■ Oct 29, 2010: Two explosive
devices packed in modified printer
cartridges found on separate cargo
planes bound from Yemen to U.S.

Al Qaeda in Arabian Peninsula

(AQAP) claims responsibility

■ May 8, 2012: U.S. officials foil
AQAP plot in Yemen to detonate
upgraded version of failed 2009
"underwear bomb"



■ Oct 31, 2015: Russian A321 airliner crashes in Egypt's Sinai Peninsula,
killing all 224 people on board. U.S. and UK intelligence suggest bomb
could have brought down plane