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# FAA Lifts Flight Ban Following Conclusion to Failed Turkey Coup

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After some discussion and security auditing, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has lifted its ban on flights between Turkey and the U.S. following a failed coup attempt by the Turkish military. For Turkish Airlines, the leading airline serving the region, this comes as a relief, after [more than 160 flights were cancelled](#), many of them to the US.

Over the weekend, a section of the Turkish military advanced vehicles and personnel to strategic points in Istanbul, blocking movement to and from the capital and several key sea and air ports, including the Ataturk International Airport. In response, major airlines delayed or cancelled flights, and [the aviation administration issued a statement](#): “The FAA is monitoring the situation in Turkey in coordination with our partners in the State Department and the Department of Homeland Security and will update the restrictions as the situation evolves.”

Following the Notice To Airmen (NOTAM), there were suspicions that the ban [would last until September 1](#). The Turkish government has allegedly arrested [some 3,000 suspects linked to the coup attempt](#).



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