



# **The Good the Bad & the Ugly**

- **Is there a threat?**
- **If there is, what can we do about it?**
- **How can we make it work?**
  
- **What doesn't work**

# IS THERE A THREAT FROM GENERAL AVIATION?

- **TSA's Statement** before State Aviation Conference in Iowa  
September 2005 –
  - *“Frankly, we just don't see any General Aviation (GA) threat,”*
  - *“We are really just looking for a good story for Congress.”*
- **Threat Analysis** (Senior DIA Analyst) - on [www.potomac-airfield.com](http://www.potomac-airfield.com)  
February 2002 -
  - *“Ground vehicle is a better delivery platform than a light aircraft”*
  - *“Given their limitations as a vehicles of destruction, security risks from GA aircraft are negligible”*

But **THERE STILL MIGHT BE A THREAT...**

Political Reality & Moral Obligation  
Require us to address the threat, however small

**What can we do about it?**  
***Realistically***

# What *REALLY* stops a terrorist?

## **DESTRUCTION**

### **AIR-TO-AIR DEFENSE**

*USAF AIR NATIONAL GUARD  
USCG CUSTOMS*



### **SURFACE TO AIR DEFENSE**

*AIR-DEFENSE BATTERY*



***TO ANY REAL TERRORIST  
NOTHING ELSE MATTERS***

# To be avoided at all costs

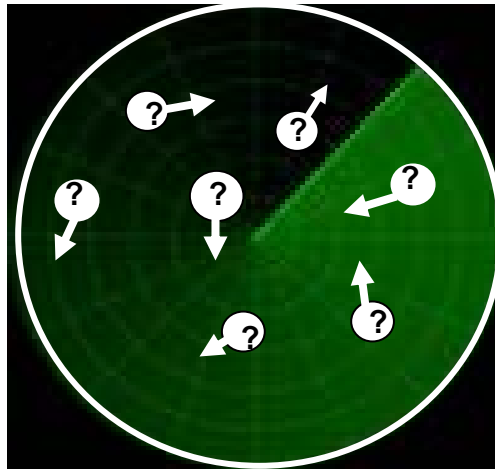
## **Missionary Family Shot Down in Peru – April 2001**

“A Peruvian interceptor jet opened fire on a Cessna 185 floatplane. The American missionary Veronica Bowers and her seven month old baby daughter, Charity, were killed instantly as bullets tore through the fuselage.”



# The Problem

**ARMED DEFENDERS Cannot tell FRIEND from FOE**



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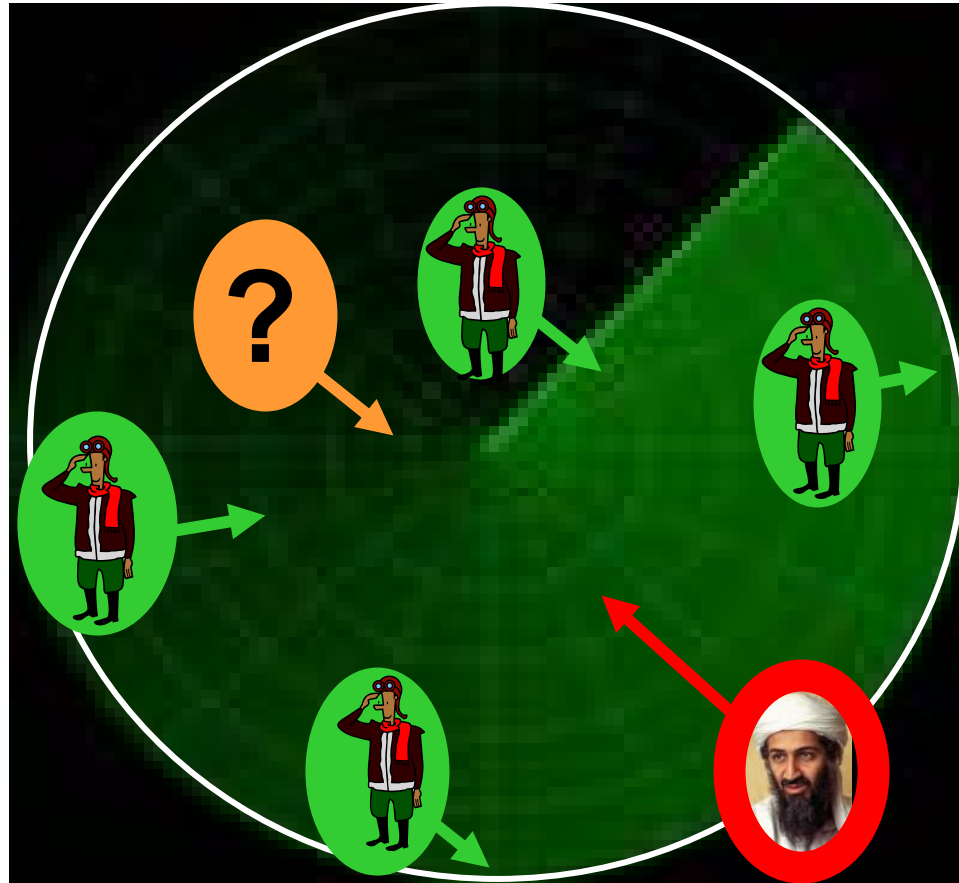


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**WHO IS WHO?**

# What we would like to see



**A 'MAGIC RADAR'**  
THAT CAN TELL FRIEND from FOE



# Available Solutions

- **SOLUTION #1: 'Magic Radar'**

- **BY SPECIAL PROCEDURES**

- Don't worry about friendlies
- Focus on *unknown* radar targets
- Shoot ONLY targets KNOWN to be a threat

= Flight Restricted Zone (FRZ)



- **SOLUTION #2: Make everyone follow the same rules**

- Suspect everyone
  - Penalize anyone that makes a mistake
- = Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ)



- **SOLUTION #3: Restrict all movements**

- Suspect everyone
  - Shoot anyone that enters the area
- = PROHIBITED AREA (P56)



**NOT SUPPORTED BY ANYONE**

# SOLUTION #1 - 'MAGIC RADAR'

FRZ DEFENDERS CAN TELL FRIEND FROM FOE

- FRIENDs – Get 'safe passage' past real defenses
  - Pre-approved for security clearance
  - Approved pilots authenticated & movements of no concern



ASSURES IN-COCKPIT CONTROL BY TRUSTED AGENT

- FOEs – Face threat of destruction  
Without prior security clearance
  - Cannot authenticate airspace clearance
  - Cannot obtain 'safe passage' past defenses



DEFENDED FRZ AIRSPACE REMAINS TOO DANGEROUS

# 'MAGIC RADAR': FOCUS ON UNKNOWN

## REAL ATTACKER

- **MUST BE AIRBORNE**  
**AND**
- **MUST BE ATTACKING**

**REQUIRES  
FLYING TOWARD  
THEIR TARGET**

## REAL DEFENDER

**WATCHES AIRSPACE**

- **AIRBORNE MOVEMENTS**
- **APPROACHING AREA**

**WITH OR WITHOUT A TRANSPONDER**



**APPROACHING  
defended area**

# 'MAGIC RADAR' – PINPOINTS THREATS



**IDENTIFIED** – Trusted Agent in control of their aircraft  
Don't worry about them, they are NOT A THREAT



**UNKNOWN** – Might be a threat, MOST LIKELY JUST LOST (>2,000+)

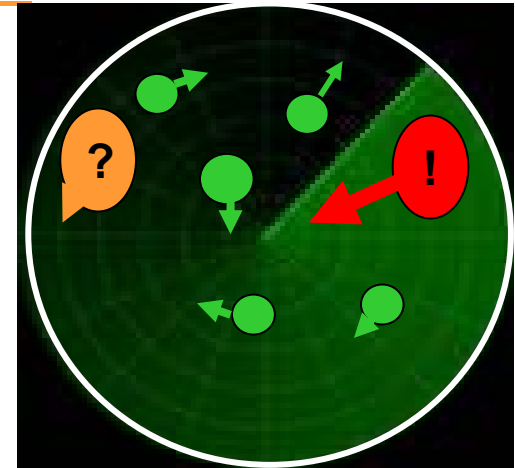


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CANNOT TELL – JUST HEAD THEM OFF

Cooperation with air-traffic control  
Chased off by air interdiction



**THREATS = Unidentified intruders**  
**Determined to Approach**  
**Despite All Challenges**  
**THEN GO TO HIGH ALERT**



# FLIGHT RESTRICTED ZONE (FRZ) = 'MAGIC RADAR'

- Answers the question "WHO GOES THERE?"
  - Removes Friendlies as a concern
  - Makes unknown radar targets more obvious
- FRZ Airspace Boundary
  - Warns pilots not to enter area without authorization
  - Provides safety buffer around armed defenses

**WORKING SINCE FEB '02**

# SOLUTION #2 – SAME RULES FOR EVERYONE

## ADIZ DEFENDERS CANNOT TELL FRIEND FROM FOE



**FRIEND**



**FOE**



### CURRENT ADIZ PROCEDURES

Fill out FAA paperwork correctly  
Keep FAA documents current  
File flight-plan (No authentication)  
Follow PUBLIC procedures

**ALL ADIZ RADAR TARGETS  
REMAIN 'UNKNOWN'**  
Identity? Intent?



**FRIEND & FOE FOLLOW THE SAME PUBLIC RULES**  
**HIGH ADIZ WORKLOAD - NO REAL SECURITY BENEFIT**

**'MAGIC RADAR'**

**ENHANCES SECURITY  
RESTORES NEEDED ACCESS**

**BUT....**

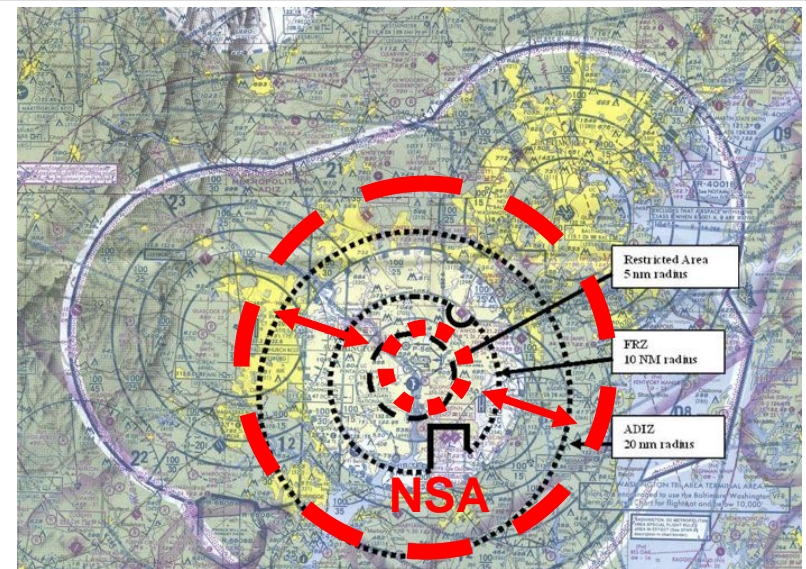
**A CONTINUOUS 30 MILE FRZ  
WOULD BE ECONOMICALLY CATASTROPHIC**

# POP-OUT THE 'MAGIC RADAR' WHEN NEEDED

- Replace current 'ADIZ' with National Security Airspace (NSA)
- Make it EASY TO AVOID by making it a CIRCLE
- EXPAND to PREDICTABLE boundary during an EMERGENCY
- All Pilots welcome to apply for clearance, in case area expands
- Pilot approvals COULD BE USED for passage through other areas of concern

**FRZ only expands during DECLARED emergencies  
NOT CASUALLY NOT PERMANENTLY**

- WHEN NO EMERGENCY  
GOOD GUYS COME AND GO NORMALLY
- WHEN EMERGENCY DECLARED  
GOOD GUYS COME AND GO NORMALLY  
BAD GUYS DARE NOT COME OR GO



**A REAL SOLUTION: EFFECTIVE & SUSTAINABLE**



# WHO DECIDES?

## Who Decides the Emergency?

- **Presidential Decision Directive 62 (PDD 62)**
  - USSS was made 'Lead Agency' in 'NSSE' & 'NCA'
  - USSS knowledgeable of THREAT
  - Means for Executive Office to exercise emergency Executive Authority *if necessary*
  - Similar policy continues...

**THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE DECLARES THE EMERGENCY**

## Who Should Lead in Determining FRIEND or FOE?

- **Make CUSTOMS the 'Executive Agent' for US SECRET SERVICE**  
**CUSTOMS & BORDER PATROL (CBP)**
  - Already coordinates RADAR and PILOT information
  - Has already operational assets – Airborne Tracking & Interdiction
  - Has access to relevant intelligence
    - CBP KNOWS THE FRIENDLIES
    - CBP KNOWS WHEN NOT TO SHOOT
    - CBP KNOWS WHAT REALLY COUNTS
    - CBP HAS BEEN DOING IT FOR DECADES AROUND ALL US BORDERS

**CUSTOMS DECIDES WHEN NOT TO SHOOT**

# EXPLODING THE MYTHS

- What was the basis for the 15 Mile FRZ?
  - Built on False Assumptions
  - Used to ‘buy down’ 25 mile ‘Temporary Flight Restriction’ around Washington DC (TFR)
  - Offered as a Political compromise
  - Tolerated for Reasons of Preparedness
  - Prototype for Emergency Airspace
- Where did the ADIZ come from?
  - Moment of historical hysteria
  - Nothing more than a false half-move forward
  - A move that stunned the security agencies

**SECURITY AGENCIES WERE EXPECTING A POP-OUT FRZ**

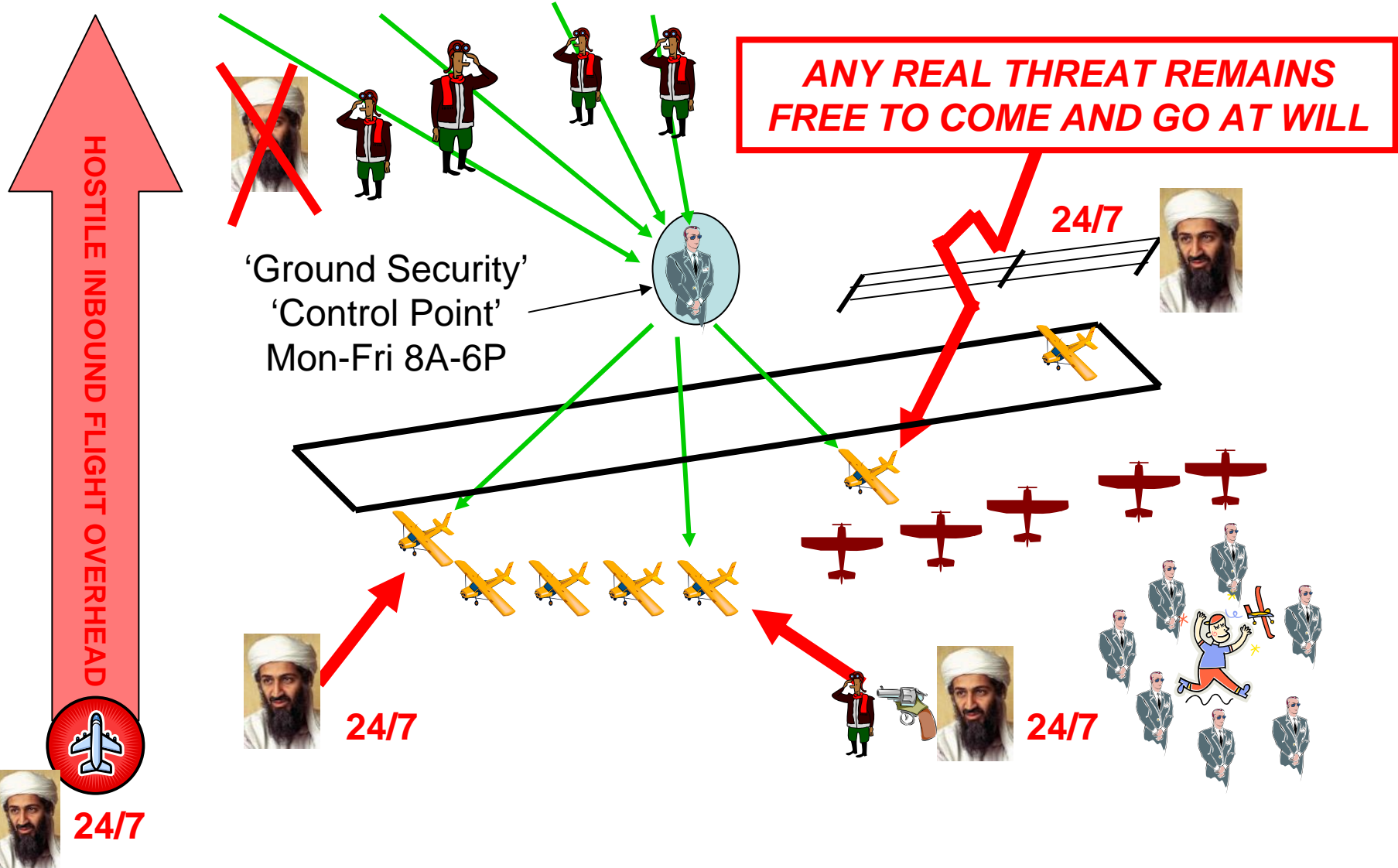
**WHAT DOESN'T WORK**

# THE ADIZ FAILS

- **ADIZ procedures**
  - **ONLY** assures everybody follows the **SAME RULES**
  - **CANNOT** tell apart **FRIEND** from **FOE**
  - **CANNOT AUTHENTICATE** Pilots
  - **CANNOT** assure **IN-COCKPIT CONTROL**

# 'AIRPORT SECURITY' FAILS

ONLY legitimate pilots following rules are constrained by ground security



# **‘Airport Security? Where?’**

- Terrorists using an aircraft can takeoff

From **ANYWHERE**

At **ANYTIME**

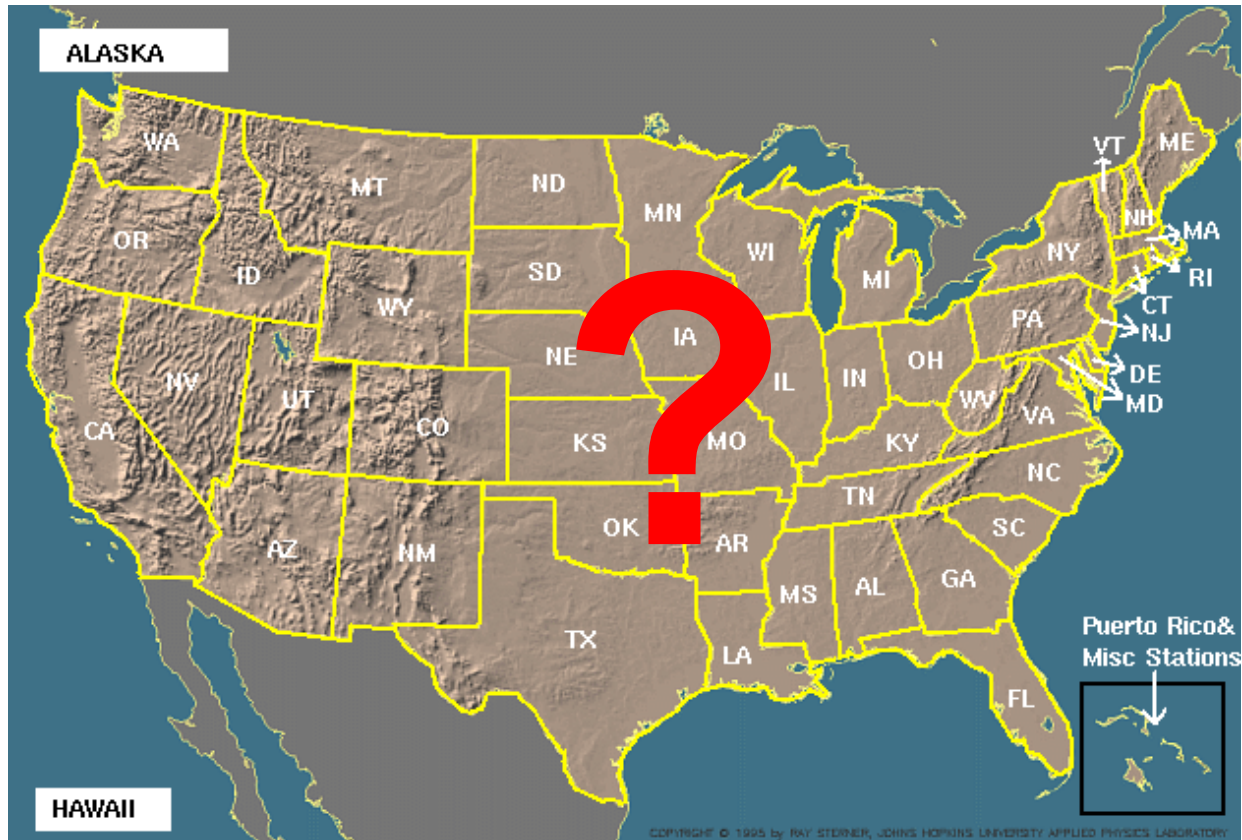


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**PREDICTABLE SECURITY  
AT A FEW SPECIFIC LOCATIONS  
IS INEFFECTIVE**

# WHERE CAN AIR ATTACK COME FROM ?



ANSWER: FROM ANYWHERE

# What Should Be Done

- **MOVE TO MORE EFFECTIVE AIRSPACE PROTOCOLS (POP-OUT FRZ)**
- **MOVE AWAY FROM INEFFECTIVE GROUND SECURITY**
  - Stop doing things that don't work
  - Security at a few airports during limited hours
  - Filing flight plans without authentication
  - Tagging radar targets with no objective
  - Penalizing the innocent for Government induced confusion
- **GIVE ONE AGENCY THE LEAD to IDENTIFY FRIEND from FOE**
  - DON'T SHOOT THE INNOCENT



# Government Agencies Politically COMPELLED To Keep Doing ‘*Something More*’



*Until Specifically Told Otherwise*

*‘By the People’*

## Through Due Process

Rulemaking  
Public Oversight  
Public Accountability

## Through Elected Officials

US Congress  
Specific Legislation  
Executive Office  
White House Directive

# AIRSPACE - WHAT CAN GO WRONG

## Missionary Family Shot Down in Peru

A CIA surveillance plane alerted the Peruvian air force to the presence of the Cessna,

*“...Which they believed to be flying without a flight plan.”*

The Cessna pilot had been in contact with the tower and been given a landing slot

*“...How could he be in contact with the civil authorities and their military not know?”*

The high-speed intercepting jet made efforts to communicate with the Cessna

*“...As there was no response, the interceptor opened fire”*

*“To shoot down a plane is to condemn its occupants to death without giving them the benefit of the doubt.”*

*“To shoot down civilian planes is the equivalent to an extra-judicial execution”*

The Peruvian air force has promised to investigate and "deeply regretted" the loss of life.

# SECURITY



# PRICELESS?

***THANK YOU***

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