

THE HON. JOE VOLPE, P.C., M.P.
QUESTION PERIOD
NO FLY LIST
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Mr. Speaker, despite opposition from many Canadians, including Conservative members, the no-fly list takes effect today.

Who is on this list? Who recommended that these people be on the list and why? What threat do they pose?

Even the member for Leeds—Grenville does not trust the list or the procedure. His colleague from Edmonton—St. Albert has called the no-fly list a “fraud”.

Are we to believe them, because their colleague, the Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, cannot tell the truth about this?

Supplemental Question

Mr. Speaker, he still has not really addressed the real purpose of the list. What is the mystery behind who gets on the list and why? The Minister of Transport alone determines that, but his department cannot detain or arrest anybody. If someone is on that list because he is a serious risk, why would that individual not be investigated, charged and given due process?

If the minister is simply acceding to the homeland security department's demands for a no-fly list, why does he not just tell us? His colleague from Leeds—Grenville has called the list a joke. The member for Edmonton—St. Albert calls it a fraud. Who is telling the truth?