## Hello everyone.

I don't normally write to ask for help but I am reaching out to you because this is important to the safety of air travel for all of us who fly and an issue which is close to my heart.

The events of September 11, 2001 began with the takeover of aircrafts by stabbing flight attendants with box cutters. Recently, the TSA Admininstrator John Pistole announced that effective April 25, 2013, small pocket knives and other dangerous objects will be allowed back on aircrafts. While much effort has been given to have the decision reversed, John Pistole testified before a House subcommittee and said "the policy stands." So, we are trying to get a White House petition (short link at <u>www.NoKnivesOnPlanes.com</u>) out to as many people as we can. We need 100,000 signatures before a deadline of April 5th. Only when we reach the 100,000 mark will the White House weigh in.

Most of us travel by airplane and have family and friends who do as well...please sign the petition if you **do not** agree with TSA's decision to allow dangerous objects back on airplanes. You do not need to enter your full name only the first initial of your first and last name. Please forward this message to your friends and family.

In advance, thank you for your support and consideration.

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