

# Malaysian wins case against US Govt

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** A Malaysian woman won her case against the US government's "no-fly" policy that restrains individuals from commercial air travel due to suspected ties to terrorism.

Rahinah Ibrahim, 48, was detained for two hours at San Francisco's airport in 2005 as she was believed to be on the no-fly list.

Though eventually allowed to fly back to Malaysia, her American visa was revoked under a legal provision related to suspected terrorist activities, without her being given specific details.

Rahinah, the dean of architecture at Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), petitioned to clear her name, claiming her inability to return to the US has caused damage to her profession.

US District Judge William Alsup, who presided on the suit, ruled that existing procedures to correct mistakes on the list do not provide sufficient information due to process protections.

Alsup said the government has conceded that Rahinah is not a national security threat and is entitled to know if she is still on the no-fly list.

Rahinah's case is believed to have been the first to go to trial. The trial took place last month.