

American Airlines flight returns to Las Vegas after engine fire

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Dhaka: A mechanical issue on an American Airlines flight caused the pilot to return to Las Vegas less than 10 minutes after takeoff Wednesday, (June 25), officials said.

American Airlines flight 1665 toward Charlotte, North Carolina took off from Harry Reid International Airport in Nevada shortly before 8:15 a.m. local time, flight-tracking website Flightradar24 reported. The flight returned to the Vegas airport at 8:20 a.m., according to the Federal Aviation Administration.

The aircraft landed safely and there were no injuries reported, a Harry Reid International Airport spokesperson confirmed to press.

American Airlines said that despite witness reports of smoke and flames coming from the engines, airline mechanics found no evidence of fire

during an inspection after the plane returned to the airport.

"We appreciate the professionalism of our crew and thank our team who are working to get our customers to their destinations as quickly as possible," American Airlines said in a statement.

The aircraft, which carried 153 passengers and six crew members, is now being evaluated for maintenance, American Airlines confirmed.

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