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Flight delayed at Heathrow after passenger opens door

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Dhaka: A Saudia flight bound for Jeddah was held on the tarmac at Heathrow airport for nearly 4 hours after a passenger opened a cabin door during taxiing.

The incident, which occurred on Thursday, August 28, triggered the deployment of the emergency evacuation slide attached to the door, forcing ground staff to intervene and the aircraft to be taken out of service for safety checks.

Passengers were disembarked while airline crews worked to address the malfunction and arrange for the continuation of the journey. The airline said safety remained its top priority and confirmed that the flight later departed for Jeddah once the situation was resolved.

Authorities are investigating the circumstances of the incident.