

# Kyrgyz Delay U.S. Base Vote

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Kyrgyzstan's parliament has postponed a vote on slapping a tax on aviation fuel to a U.S. air base supporting operations in Afghanistan.

Pro-government Deputy Azamat Arapbayev said Thursday that a bill on the levy needs further scrutiny before the parliament can vote on it next week.

U.S. officials have rejected the proposal to place a \$100 duty on every ton of fuel sold to the base, saying it violates the terms of the lease agreement.

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