

BORDER PROTECTION

MRA SEIZES RS. 300,000 OF CANNABIS AT PPO



Cannabis resin weighing 99 grams and cannabis leaves weighing 42 grams, worth approximately Rs. 300,000, were seized on Wednesday 21 August, 2019 at the Parcel Post Office (PPO) by the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS). The suspected drugs arrived from U.K. and Canada in two different parcels and were addressed to inhabitants of Quatre Bornes and Tamarin respectively. The parcels were targeted for examination and, since they were unclaimed, the CANS officers examined same.

The MRA Customs Sniffer dog 'Otto' was deployed on the suspected drugs and it reacted positively thereon. The field tests on the cannabis leaves and cannabis resin were positive. The suspected drugs were secured as exhibits and were handed over to the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU) for further investigation.

Members of the public may report suspected drug/ illicit activities to the MRA through the Stop Drug platform or by calling on 8958.