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MRA SEIZES HEROIN WORTH RS 5 MILLION

The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) Customs Department, in collaboration with ADSU, seized 316g of whitish powder suspected to be heroin. The suspected drug was concealed in the private parts of a South African female passenger who arrived by Air Mauritius Flight MK 852 from Johannesburg on Tuesday 14th March 2017. The estimated market value of the suspected drug is approximately Rs 5 million.

The 35 years old passenger was put on a watch list by the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the MRA Customs Department.

The South African passenger was intercepted while she was leaving through the Green Channel and her luggage was sent for scan. The luggage was thoroughly examined and nothing incriminating was found therein. The passenger was then subject to a body search and 3 bullets were retrieved from her private body parts. MRA Sniffer dog reacted positively to the suspected drugs and same were secured and handed over to ADSU for inquiry. The South African passenger was also handed over to ADSU and a controlled delivery resulted in the arrest of 3 persons at a resort in Mahebourg.



Members of the public can provide information relating to drugs to the MRA through the **MRA Stop Drug Platform (www.mra.mu)** or by calling on the **Hotline 8958**.

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