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PRESS RELEASE

SEIZURE OF CANNABIS SEEDS AT THE SSR AIRPORT



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) and ADSU, seized 42 cannabis seeds at the SSR International Airport on Friday 30th June 2017. The seeds were concealed in the lining at the bottom of the luggage of a 53 years old male Russian passenger who arrived on board Condor Flight from Munich. The passenger, who is holder of a Mauritian residence Permit, was intercepted by Customs Officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) while he was leaving through the Green Channel of the Airport.

Upon scanning the luggage of the Russian, the image appeared suspicious and the Customs Sniffer dog 'Zeus' reacted positively thereon. Further examination revealed cannabis seeds, 1320 'Roll your own' cigarette papers and chemicals used in the cultivation of plants. The passenger was questioned and he declared that he had brought same for a friend. The passenger was arrested by ADSU and the exhibits were handed over to ADSU.

Members of the public are reminded that they may report suspected drug cases to the MRA through the **MRA Stop Drug Platform (www.mra.mu)** or by calling on the **Hotline 8958**.

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