

PRESS RELEASE

Rs 3.2 M OF HEROIN SEIZED AT SSR AIRPORT



The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 216g of heroin worth Rs. 3.2 Million at SSR International Airport on Sunday 02 September 2018. The consignment was concealed in the body parts of a female Malagasy passenger, who arrived on board flight MK287 from Madagascar.

The passenger was intercepted in the Green Channel by Customs Officers of the MRA. Her luggage, one registered trolley bag and two hand bags, were scanned and examined, but nothing incriminating was found.

As the passenger was elusive in her replies when being questioned, she was subject to a body search which resulted in one cylindrical parcel stuffed in a condom, found in her private parts.

A field test was subsequently carried out and the result confirmed the presence of heroin. MRA K9 dog "Zeus" was also deployed and reacted positively on the drug.

The passenger, together with all her belongings, were handed over to ADSU for further enquiry. Two persons were arrested following a control delivery exercise.

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

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