

PRESS RELEASE

TEENAGER INTERCEPTED WITH 1.67 KG OF HEROIN





On Tuesday 03 September, 2019, officers of the Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) intercepted a 19 year-old South African with 1.67 kg (Gross Weight) of a brownish powder concealed in the handles of his luggage at the SSR Airport. While leaving through the Green Channel, the South African was profiled for interrogation as he deplaned a high-risk flight and his luggage was scanned.

The scanning images revealed concealments in the handles of two of the three luggage found in the South African's possession. The handles were removed and a brownish powder was found stuffed therein. The Customs sniffer dog Milan reacted positively when it was deployed on the powder. The field test for heroin also yielded positive results.

The passenger, his luggage and the suspected drugs were handed over to the Anti-Drug and Smuggling Unit (ADSU) for further investigation and controlled delivery.

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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