

595 GRAMS OF HEROIN WORTH RS. 8.9 MILLION SEIZED AT THE SSR AIRPORT

On Friday 03 May 2019, 51 pellets of heroin, weighing 595 grams were seized on a South African hairdresser at the SSR International Airport. The drug worth approximately Rs. 8.9 millions was swallowed by the lady.

The hairdresser, deplaning from Johannesburg on flight MK852 of Air Mauritius, was intercepted while leaving through Green Channel. Her luggage was scanned and examined by the officers of the Mauritius Revenue Authority. Nothing incriminating was found. Questioned by the Officer of Customs Anti-Narcotics Section (CANS) of the MRA, she was evasive and inconsistent. CANS officers carried out a body search on her but the result was negative.

Upon further questioning, the South African declared that she had actually swallowed some drugs. She was handed over to ADSU for a medical check-up and further enquiry.

As per report, she had purged 51 pellets of heroin.

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.