

SEIZURE OF CANNABIS LEAVES AND CREAM



The Customs Department of the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) seized 21.64 grams of cannabis leaves and cream suspected to contain cannabis worth Rs. 13,000 on Tuesday 04 September 2018 at the SSR International Airport. The suspected drugs were found in the luggage of a Swiss national aged 51 and she was intercepted while she was leaving through the Green Channel on the basis of suspicious demeanour. Travelling in the company of a French, the Swiss lady revealed that she was a therapist. The baggage of the French passenger was examined and nothing incriminating was found.

Upon examination of the luggage of the Swiss traveller, 21.64 grams of cannabis leaves and cream suspected to contain cannabis were secured. When asked about the suspected drugs, she stated that the leaves were medical herbs and the cream was a pain killer. Both were meant for her personal use.

The K9 sniffer dog 'Casidee' reacted positively to the suspected drugs. The passenger and her belongings were handed over to the ADSU for further investigation.

Members of the public 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.