Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected smuggled central processing units (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (February 27) seized 2 982 suspected smuggled central processing units (CPUs) with an estimated market value of about \$3.8 million at Lok Ma Chau Control Point.

Customs officers intercepted an outgoing lorry at Lok Ma Chau Control Point for inspection yesterday evening and seized 2 982 CPUs concealed inside the false compartment of the rear-axle differential unit at the bottom of the lorry.

The 59-year-old male driver was arrested. Investigation is ongoing.

Smuggling is a serious offence. Under the Import and Export Ordinance, any person found guilty of importing or exporting unmanifested cargo is liable to a maximum fine of \$2 million and imprisonment for seven years.

Members of the public may report any suspected smuggling activities to the Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).



Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected dangerous drugs (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (February 27) seized about 1 kilogram of suspected crack cocaine and about 1 000 tablets of suspected ecstasy with a total estimated market value of about \$1.45 million in Cheung Sha Wan and

Yuen Long.

During an anti-narcotics operation in Cheung Sha Wan yesterday evening, Customs officers intercepted a man and found a small quantity of suspected crack cocaine inside his shoulder bag. The 19-year-old man was then arrested.

After follow-up investigation, Customs officers escorted the arrested man to a residential premises nearby where about 1 kilogram of suspected crack cocaine, about 1 000 tablets of suspected ecstasy, as well as a batch of drug manufacturing and packaging paraphernalia were further seized. Customs officers also seized a small quantity of suspected crack cocaine and suspected ecstasy tablets in his residence in Yuen Long.

Investigation is ongoing.

Under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, trafficking in a dangerous drug is a serious offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$5 million and life imprisonment.

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<u>Labour Department to hold occupational</u> <u>health public talks</u>

The Labour Department (LD) will hold a public talk entitled "Occupational health of office workers series (II): Prevention of musculoskeletal disorders" on March 7 (Thursday). Through analysing the causes and preventive measures of musculoskeletal disorders, the talk aims to enhance office workers' awareness of musculoskeletal disorders of the upper limbs, waist and back arising from prolonged repetitive movements or improper sitting posture.

The talk will be held at 6.30pm in Activity Room 1, G/F, Hong Kong Central Library, 66 Causeway Road, Causeway Bay. An occupational hygienist and the occupational health nurse from the LD will lead demonstration and practice of workplace exercise.

The LD will hold another talk entitled "Occupational stress" on March 15 (Friday) to introduce the symptoms and health impact of occupational stress, and explain through case illustrations some effective stress-coping strategies.

The talk, to be given by the LD's occupational health nurse, will be held at 3pm in the Lecture Hall of the Hong Kong Space Museum, 10 Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui.

Both talks will be conducted in Cantonese. Admission is free. For enquiries or registration, please call 2852 4040.