

Hong Kong Customs detects case involving possession of suspected "space oil drug" by passenger (with photos)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (March 26) detected a case involving possession of etomidate, the main ingredient of the "space oil drug", which is under the Dangerous Drug Ordinance, by an incoming passenger at the Lok Ma Chau Spur Line Control Point. Nine suspected "space oil drug" capsules and one vape stick were seized.

A 25-year-old male passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Shenzhen yesterday. During Customs clearance, nine suspected "space oil drug" capsules and one vape stick were found on him and his baggage. The man was subsequently arrested. The arrested person, who claimed to be a student, has been released on bail pending further investigation.

Customs will continue to step up enforcement and stringently combat against trafficking of the "space oil drug".

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

Members of the public may report any suspected drug trafficking activities to Customs' 24-hour report hotline 182 8080 or its dedicated crime reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk) or online form (eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002).

