Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cannabis buds (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs seized about 3.4 kilograms of suspected cannabis buds with an estimated market value of about \$700,000 at Hong Kong International Airport on October 30.

Customs officers inspected an air mail parcel from the United States of America on October 30 and found the suspected cannabis buds concealed in a metal case in the parcel.

After follow-up investigation, Customs officers yesterday (October 31) arrested a man and a woman in Cheung Sha Wan, who were suspected to be related to the case.

The arrested 19-year-old man and 48-year-old woman have been jointly charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug. They will appear at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (November 2).

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.

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

