Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cannabis buds (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs today (January 28) seized about 3.1 kilograms of suspected cannabis buds with an estimated market value of about \$650,000 at Lok Ma Chau Spur Line Control Point.

Customs officers intercepted a 33-year-old incoming male passenger at Lok Ma Chau Spur Line Control Point this morning and found in his rucksack about 3.1kg of suspected cannabis buds concealed inside tinfoil packets.

The male passenger was thus arrested and investigation is ongoing.

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

Customs also reminds that cannabis and tetrahydro-cannabinol (THC) are classified as dangerous drugs under the Ordinance. Importation of products (including food and drinks) containing cannabis or THC into Hong Kong is prohibited unless the relevant provisions in the Ordinance are complied with. In order to avoid breaching the law inadvertently, special attention should be paid to the packaging labels of food and drinks.

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

