Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cocaine (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs seized about 500 grams of suspected cocaine with an estimated market value of about \$520,000 at Hong Kong International Airport on October 1.

Customs officers inspected a parcel from Chile on October 1 and found the suspected cocaine inside a metal gear.

After a follow-up investigation, Customs officers yesterday afternoon (October 3) arrested a 35-year-old man suspected to be involved in the case in Sham Shui Po.

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.

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).

