

## Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cocaine (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs today (May 21) seized about 860 grams of suspected cocaine with an estimated market value of about \$800,000 at Hong Kong International Airport.

Customs officers inspected a parcel arriving in Hong Kong from Chile today and found the batch of suspected cocaine concealed inside a set of mechanical parts in the parcel.

After follow-up investigation, Customs officers today arrested a 39-year-old man suspected to be connected with the case in Yau Ma Tei.

Investigation is ongoing.

Customs will maintain close contact with Hongkong Post and the logistics industries to step up action against drug trafficking through postal parcels or express courier channels.

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.

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](mailto:crimereport@customs.gov.hk)).

