

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

Hong Kong Customs seized about 480 grams of suspected cocaine with an estimated market value of about \$530,000 from a female passenger arriving at Hong Kong International Airport on July 4.

A 31-year-old female passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Nairobi, Kenya via Dubai, United Arab Emirates on July 4. The woman was found to be suspicious upon Customs clearance and was escorted to hospital for examination. She later discharged the suspected cocaine on July 5 and yesterday (July 6) and was arrested.

The arrested woman has been charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug. The case will be brought up at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (July 8).

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.

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

