Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cocaine (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (October 6) seized about 2.1 kilograms of suspected cocaine with an estimated market value of about \$2.2 million at Hong Kong International Airport.

A male passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Panama via Netherlands yesterday. Upon examination of his hand-carry rucksack, Customs officers found the suspected cocaine concealed inside false compartments of the rucksack. The 63-year-old man was then arrested.

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).

