

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected cocaine worth about \$16 million (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (October 6) seized about 14 kilograms of suspected cocaine with an estimated market value of about \$16 million in Tseung Kwan O. A man and two women were arrested.

During an anti-narcotics operation conducted in Tseung Kwan O yesterday afternoon, Customs officers intercepted a 24-year-old woman and then escorted her to the residential premises she resides in for a search.

Customs officers seized about 14kg of suspected cocaine in the premises and therefore arrested the 24-year-old woman. A 21-year-old man and a 21-year-old woman present in the premises were also 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 Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).

