## Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected crack cocaine and synthetic cathinone (bath salts) worth about \$6 million (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (May 7) seized about 4.4 kilograms of suspected crack cocaine and about 600 grams of suspected synthetic cathinone (bath salts) with a total estimated market value of about \$6 million in Sai Wan. A man suspected to be connected with the case was arrested.

During an anti-narcotics operation conducted in the vicinity of Sai Wan yesterday, Customs seized the batch of suspected crack cocaine and suspected synthetic cathinone (bath salts) inside a mini-storage locker in an industrial building.

On the same day, Customs officers arrested a 19-year-old man suspected to be connected with the case in Sai Wan. He claimed to be a transportation worker.

An investigation is ongoing. The likelihood of further arrests is not ruled out.

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 (<a href="mailto:crimereport@customs.gov.hk">crimereport@customs.gov.hk</a>) or online form (<a href="mailto:eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002/">eform.cefs.gov.hk/form/ced002/</a>).

