## Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected dangerous drugs (with photos)

Hong Kong Customs seized a total of about 800 grams of suspected methamphetamine and 1.4 kilograms of suspected liquid cocaine with an estimated market value of about \$1.95 million at Hong Kong International Airport on December 26.

Customs officers inspected an air mail parcel from Malaysia on December 26. Four packets of suspected methamphetamine were found concealed inside the false compartment of the carton box of the parcel. After follow-up investigation, Customs officers yesterday (December 27) arrested a 31-year-old woman suspected to be in connection with the case in Mong Kok.

Also, a 22-year-old female passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Sao Paulo, Brazil via Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in the afternoon on December 26. During Customs clearance, the batch of suspected liquid cocaine was found concealed inside the underwear worn by her. The woman was then arrested.

The two arrested women were each charged with one count of trafficking in a dangerous drug. They will appear at West Kowloon Magistrates' Courts tomorrow (December 29).

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 (<a href="mailto:crimereport@customs.gov.hk">crimereport@customs.gov.hk</a>).



