

Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected ketamine (with photo)

Hong Kong Customs today (February 26) seized about 15 kilograms of suspected ketamine with an estimated market value of about \$8.2 million at Hong Kong International Airport.

A 30-year-old male passenger arrived in Hong Kong from Paris, France today. During customs clearance, the batch of suspected ketamine was found concealed inside the false compartments of his two check-in suitcases. The man was then arrested.

Investigation is ongoing.

Customs will continue to apply risk assessment strategy to select outbound, inbound and transit passengers for clearance to intercept different kinds of drug trafficking activities.

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).

